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OBREGON'S TROOPS ARE NOT TO ENTER TEXAS

Vancil Is Given Forty Years For Killing Child

Acting Governor Davidson Refuses Obregon's Request

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 18.—Acting Governor Davidson refused the request of President Obregon for permission to move two thousand Mexican troops from Sonora to Eagle Pass across Texas soil. He feared complications on the border.

Governor Davidson said he advised Secretary Hughes that if the national government could strongly show the urgency for the movement and insisted on granting Obregon's request, he might reconsider his decision. He sat in his reply that Texas wanted to co-operate with Obregon, but he feared that sending troops over Texas soil would result in loss of life and property in Texas. He said the sympathies of the people on the border is always divided in Mexican revolutions. Governor Davidson is to receive a delegation from San Antonio this afternoon to discuss the Mexican situation.

American Legion Members Enjoy Tuesday's Meet

Members of Nowlin Post of American Legion were entertained at dinner Tuesday evening at the American Legion. The ladies of the Auxiliary had prepared a splendid spread and the evening was a most enjoyable one. The next social meeting of the Post will be held Tuesday evening at 12:15 January 22nd, at the hall. The ladies have a full attendance of the membership will gather to show appreciation of their culinary efforts.

INTEREST REVIVES IN POWELL AND IN WILDCAT TERRITORY

That part of Powell lying east of Chambers Creek stepped back into the limelight with the recent completion of the Witherspoon Burke No. 10 test. The Gulf Company started a drilling on the Blumrosen tract several days ago. The Barclay and Meadows completion on the K. Walens tract near the Humble tank farm also creates more interest in the Western part of the field, where the McIntire et al, Whitworth, Smith and Nenney and Langford and Wortham tests are drilling.

AVERAGE COST OF MEXIA DEEP TEST

The total cost for completed well and equipment in the Mexia district, to a depth of 2550 feet, has been estimated at \$27,281.

Mrs. James A. Caldwell of Fort Worth was a visitor to Mexia last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Woolman of Dallas were Thursday visitors to Mexia.

A slide reduces the keys on a saxophone invented by a Chicago man which is claimed to be easier to learn to play than the usual type of instrument.

An Ontario coal company has developed a fuel in the form of coke that will burn freely in ordinary residence heating furnaces or kitchen ranges.

J. C. Loney of Corsicana was in the city last Thursday.

H. W. Dabney of Waco was in the city Thursday.

J. W. Rush was a visitor Thursday to Mexia from Corsicana.

Judge N. T. Stubbs spent Thursday and Friday in Corsicana on legal business.

T. B. Chatham is making some valuable addition to his home on North Bonham Street.

Robert J. Hammond of Austin is a guest of friends in Mexia.

Judge Picson To Manage Campaign For W. T. Davidson, Now Lieutenant Governor and Aspirant for Governor

Judge Lee P. Picson has just returned from Dallas where he has been on business connected with the campaign of Lieutenant Governor W. T. Davidson for Governor. Judge Picson stated that he has been selected campaign manager for Mr. Davidson and will direct the campaign over the entire state.

Texas Company Seamer Runs Rebel Blockade

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Jan. 18.—The Texas Company steamer Virginia succeeded in running the rebel blockade of Tampico late yesterday, according to wireless messages received here last night.

At the time the message was received here the rebel bombardment of the town was going on. Lights in the town were extinguished, the message said, to afford the rebel gunboats no target on which to center their attack.

The Virginia was not due to sail from Tampico for Port Arthur until today and it is not known why she made the dangerous attempt during the bombardment.

No New Muscle Shoals Proposal

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 18.—Henry Ford's offer for Muscle Shoals still stands and no new proposal will be made, it was learned today.

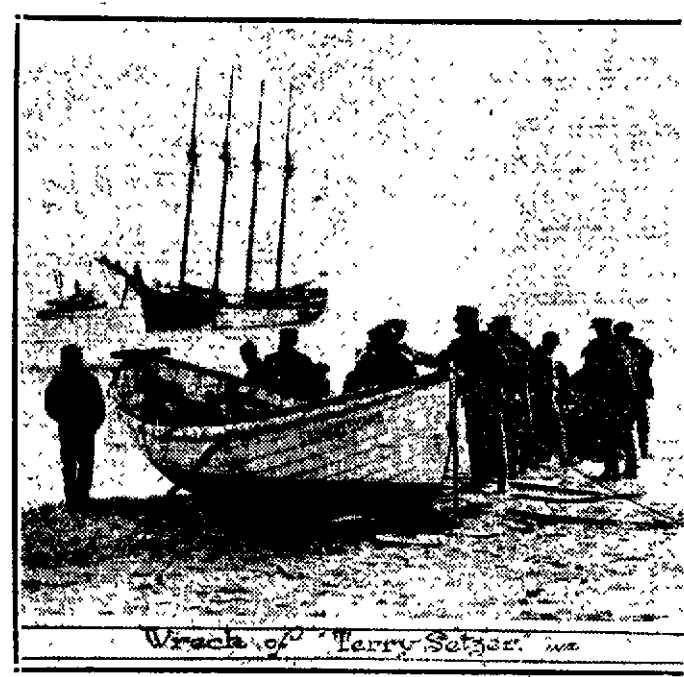
Despite the controversy between the automobile manufacturer and Secretary of War Weeks over the sale of the Gorgas power plant Ford's original offer for Muscle Shoals never was withdrawn.

A repetition of the offer is not necessary, therefore and it is not regarded as likely that a new proposal will be made.

Ford, in his conference with President Coolidge last month, is understood to have again expressed his readiness to take over Muscle Shoals.

The sale of one unit—which Ford declared an integral part of the whole Muscle Shoals scheme—is not expected to be a barrier, for it undoubtedly will be replaced if the government accepts the Ford offer.

BIG SCHOONER WRECKED ON FIRE ISLAND



Above is an exceptionally fine view of the big four-masted schooner 'Terry Setzer', lumber laden, fast ashore on the inner sand bar on Fire Island, 60 miles off the entrance to New York Harbor, with the Coast Guard crew standing by, ready to take off the shipwrecked crew.

Bombardment Of Tampico Ceases

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Jan. 18.—Bombardment of the port of Tampico by Mexican rebel forces ceased last night according to radio messages received here. The last direct message came from the tanker Virginia of the Texas company in which it was stated the vessel had broken through the rebel blockade and that the rebels were continuing the bombardment at 6 p. m.

Later advices said the firing had ceased and that the port was blockaded to all incoming seavessels in darkness.

WILDCATS GETTING BUSY AT GROESBECK

GROESBECK, Texas, Jan. 18.—Texas Company has made location and is moving machinery to Stroud No. 4 three miles northwest of town. This is the fourth well drilled by this company on holdings on that portion of the Groesbeck structure, each one after the first in a general southeastern direction, the Stroud 1 being about 1500 feet southeast of the Stroud No. 3.

The Holton No. 1 of the Humphreys-Pine Oil Company has developed a heavy gas pressure at approximately 2000 feet and will be drilled deeper, though marking time while a gas line is being laid from this field to operations in the Mexia field.

TEAPOT DOME IS SAID TO HIDE DISGRACEFUL SCANDALS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The ugliest scandal in years lurks among the hidden facts about the Teapot Dome lease. But how to bring out the facts is puzzling senators who believe the scandal is a "national disgrace," and that the facts should be given to the public. Senator Walsh of Montana will endeavor to break the lease and to get legislation preventing future leasing of naval reserves without specific approval of congress. He declared that President Harding had no authority to transfer the oil reserve to the Interior Department, and that the leasing of Teapot Dome to Sinclair called for the government to erect oil storage tanks which would mean spending money which was unappropriated by congress and therefore illegal.

Jury Returns Verdict At Midnight

FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 18.—Ralph Vancil, charged with murder in connection with the death of his eight day old baby, was assessed a forty year prison sentence by a jury in criminal court here shortly before midnight last night. The jury was out an hour and a half before the verdict was returned.

The death penalty had been asked for Vancil by the district attorney's office. The defendant did not enter a plea for suspended sentence in case of a manslaughter verdict, but asked for acquittal.

Vancil was arrested last November while burning a bundle of baby's clothes on a highway near Fort Worth. After his arrest, he led officers to the spot where he had buried his baby which he said had died while lying in the seat of his automobile. The state attempted to show the baby had been murdered.

Vancil denied killing the child and said he buried it to save his 19 year old bride, whom he married a few weeks before the birth of the baby, from disgrace.

Independent Oil Buyers Help In Raising Prices

The placing of the Mexia district, including Mexia, Currie, Richland, and Powell, on a gravity basis and on a plane of equality with other fields in the southwest, is believed to be due, in no small way, to the competition from independent crude buyers. Two advances have been made this year, the posted price now being \$1.40 per barrel for 36 to 38.9 gravity petroleum. These independent buyers have been freely offering from 5 to 10 cents per barrel premium in the Powell area and lately invaded the Mexia Golden Lane and Fishpond district. A number of contracts were made as a result of negotiations. It is learned that Garland Kent contracted to sell 200,000 barrels to an independent refiner on the coast.

In the south of France the production of lavender oil is a peasant industry.

SEVERAL OFFSETS IN SEMI WILD TERRITORY

The Semi wildcat test of McDonald Brothers on the Brown lease in the Richland section of Navarro county resulted in a number of nearby leases being sold during the early part of the new year when the well made several heads up into the derrick. This well is producing at 2064 feet and is to be drilled deeper to determine the importance of the producing horizon, while in the meantime several offsets are to be drilled.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate
Not in session.
Hearing on medical diploma mills begins before special sub-committee.
House
Rules fight continues.
Tax hearings continue before ways and means committee.
Agricultural committee continues hearing on farm relief.
E. R. Mount was here from Navarro Thursday.

WORLD TABLOIDS

SHERMAN, Texas, Jan. 18.—"Cap" Carpenter, Frisco engineer, was released under \$3,000 bond following the shooting to death of C. J. Burks, his fireman. The shooting occurred on the locomotive just before the train left. Carpenter waived examining trial. He made no statement.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 18.—Federal forces won a complete victory over rebels between Esperanza and Tehuacan, the war office announced. The rebels lost two hundred killed and wounded. Advices from Tampico said the port is blockaded and traffic suspended.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 18.—Ruben Viscarra, former president of the Mexican Chamber of Deputies and present leader of revolution forces in the United States, and Terebio Villasenor, former governor of Guanajuato, were arrested on charges of violating the neutrality laws.

PEKIN, Jan. 18.—Citing six attacks upon American missionaries in China within the last sixty days, American Minister Schurman intimated that if the Pekin government cannot protect the rights of foreigners, the powers involved will be obliged to take action. He insisted that the United States' attitude is friendly but that China must recognize and fulfill treaty obligations to protect American lives and property.

Mexia Now Has Strong Home Building And Loan Association Ready To Help Citizens Who Want Homes In Community

More homes are to contribute to a bigger and better Mexia in 1924. A very practical and definite step in this direction was taken Friday morning at the office of Jesse McLendon, when local committeemen and members of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce, acted favorably on a report made by a committee designated to go to Dallas and investigate a proposition made by the State Building and Loan Association. The committee making the investigation was composed of J. Sandford Smith, David Murphy and George Bell. They spent a day recently in Dallas where they met with the executive committee of the association which is capitalized for \$10,000,000. Mr. Bell is local representative of the company here.

Both Mr. Smith and Mr. Murphy were enthusiastic in the matter. They stated that the company was only two years old, but due to its management, its personnel and its connections it gave them an impression of stability, strength, and possibilities of growth, the equal of any such organization in the country. It was pointed out that the organization was practically an adjunct of the American Exchange National Bank, formed for the purpose of encouraging home building. The months since its organization have indicated to the management that it is wise to go into cities and towns outside of Dallas and has already extended the scope of its building and loan activity to such places as Hillsboro, Cleburne and Corsicana and now is ready to enter the Mexia territory, with headquarters for this section and city in Mexia. The committeemen explained that the company was primarily interested in making loans and in building homes at this time, however, stock is available to any who care to invest in the association.

They also stated that to assure the establishment of the office here and the full benefits of the home building association, the executive committee

urged the appointment of an advisory committee and attorney locally, which committee and attorney should first pass upon the loans sought before submitting to the Dallas office.

With this protection to the investor and participant, coupled with regular monthly governmental examination of the affairs of the concern, the committee pointed out that it seemed wise to them for Mexia to cooperate in the respects mentioned and thus early in 1924 make it possible for an era of home building to begin in Mexia by which the entire city and community would be benefited.

Mr. Murphy stated: "I am impressed that the State Building and Loan Association is able to take care of all desirable loans."

Mr. Smith concurred in this and upon their report J. K. Hughes offered a motion that the committee's report be accepted, and that co-operation given which was necessary, in order to secure the benefits of the home building association for the good of Mexia. The motion carried unanimously.

The following standing advisory committee was elected by a unanimous vote: J. Sandford Smith, John Sweett, David Murphy, Phil Karner, J. W. McLendon and V. B. Gardner.

Upon a motion made and carried, it was decided to leave the matter of selecting a local attorney to the committee.

It was also explained that the advisory committee is to serve gratuitously.

During the discussion, Mr. Hughes urged that the citizens of Mexia should also begin to think about how to handle any desirable loans above the limit allowed by the State Building Association. It had been explained that the maximum loan probably would not exceed over 50 or 60 percent. Mr. Hughes was of the opinion that there would be many worthy applicants who would need aid above this amount and he mentioned the local assistance as not only worthy but

needed in order for the greatest good to be derived for the city. His opinion was concurred in by those present. No action was taken in this regard, however, as it was thought best to take the step which was taken now and urge the advisory board to consider some practicable plan along this line to be submitted in due time.

The meeting terminated by many of those present "putting their pocket-books where their mouths were" and took stock, although it was pointed out that that was not at all necessary. Mr. Hughes subscribed \$10,000; J. Sandford Smith, \$5,000, Blake Smith, \$5,000, and the following \$1,000 each: John Sweett, W. K. Boyd, J. W. McLendon, David Murphy, J. Desenberg and W. K. Boyd, Jr. Thus in a few seconds, \$26,000 was subscribed.

George Bell is local representative of the company and has office headquarters over the Farmers State Bank. The committee explained that the association virtually guarantees ten percent on all investments and those placing money in the company may withdraw it at any time, receiving the interest from the date of the investment. At the same time, it was pointed out that those seeking a loan for a home, it had been found, were willing to pay ten per cent, on a long time loan, and that they, in fact, did not expect to secure the needed money for anything less than that.

Those present were greatly cheered over the results of the committee's investigation and because of the action today. It is believed that a long forward-step has been taken, and that many new homes will be started here within the next few days because of this action.

It is explained that the association is ready to make loans now and not any delay will be necessary in getting the machinery for home building started in Mexia.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce. Watch Mexia grow!

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McADOO'LL DO!

From 1789 to 1800 our presidential candidates were selected by common consent. From 1800 to 1880 candidates were chosen by congressional caucus. With the exception of a brief four-year period during the first thirty-six years of the Republic Presidents were chosen from old Virginia families, and presidential electors were generally selected by the various state legislatures.

In the early part of 1823 a group of Tennessee pioneers assembled in mass meeting at Maryland, Blount County, Tenn. At that mass meeting resolutions were adopted condemning property qualifications for voters, asserting that it was the right and prerogative of American citizens to nominate presidential candidates and that the selection of presidential electors should be taken away from the state legislatures and placed in the hands of the people. This mass meeting nominated Andrew (Old Hickory) Jackson for the presidency.

By 1828, as an outgrowth of the Blount County mass meeting, nearly all of the states selected their presidential electors by vote of the people and that year Andrew Jackson was elected President of the United States. From the time of the Blount County mass meeting dates the growth of active participation of the people in nominating candidates for the presidency.

As years have come and gone the people have become more generally informed and have increasingly asserted their prerogatives until today we have the party primary system and in many states the presidential preference primary. The sentiment in favor of personal expression became so general and pronounced that the federal constitution was amended and we now are electing United States Senators by direct vote of the people.

Our Government is not only a government of and for the people, but is, and of right should be, a government by the people. Granting that the people have the right to choose their officials from the humblest to the highest, then we submit that in order to effectively express their will it becomes necessary that they begin to express their primary where they have immediate power in the selection of delegates and instruct their representatives to the county convention, likewise to the state convention, and there, in harmony with previous action, the state delegates to the national convention should be instructed to provide there can be no certain expression of the voter who is not personally present at the several conventions necessary in the machinery of a presidential nomination.

Cañ Sells says there have been a few people in our country who hold to the Tory belief that the people are not capable of self government, or sufficiently intelligent to participate in the selection of candidates for the office of President. I have only faith in the patriotism and intelligence of the people and am willing to abide their decision. No group of men, unwilling to trust the people in the selection of presidential candidates, is worthy of their trust and confidence. I prefer to risk the judgment of the people. Unquestionably it is the right of the people to nominate their candidates for office and in order to make their will effective it is imperatively necessary for them to begin with their first opportunity—the precinct primary—and thus insure first procedure all the way through to the national convention.

There is no certainty of dependable expression of the people's will other than through instructions emanating from them and consistently followed up. The people's judgment is apt to be unclouded, patriotic and uninfluenced by the desire of personal preferment; they are usually moved by the highest impulses.

An uninstructed delegation means nothing more to the folks at home than the surrender of their rights to be used by others as may best serve their own purpose. Often uninstructed delegations become trading stock and frequently, so far as the people are concerned, contradictory of their wish and will.

The Texas delegation to the Baltimore Convention was the direct result of instructions beginning with the precinct primary—the very essence of Democratic institutions. Let's do it again. This time for the former Secretary of the Treasury. He will make a great President. We can win with McAdoo.

McAdoo'll do.

Pulling Main St. Out of the Mud

Uncle Sam among various other activities has assumed the role of a gigantic road-builder, and is helping the States build a vast network of 155,000 miles of good roads that will tie together all county seats in the United States.

The term "good roads" is one of the least understood, and likewise one of the most misused, words in the American vocabulary. Multitudes of benighted residents of large cities still think of good roads merely as smooth and sports stretches where one can stop on the shoulder and see what the old car really do. Farmers of corn and hogs, but vague and foggy on the general conception of the subject.

Few realize that good roads are as essential a part of manufacture as licks and braces, and manual labor, for without the prompt and proper transportation of a product manufacture is an empty gesture and every piece of earth or cotton that is manufactured has to be taken to the consumer.

The motor industry realized that the sale of its rolling stock was directly dependent upon the right kind of road surface over which to roll, and eight years ago a group of automobile men and others got together and organized voluntary groups of citizens to promote the biggest road-building project in history, 3,305 miles of continuous improved motor road from New York to San Francisco, known as the Lincoln Highway. More than

\$11,000,000 has been spent to date in actual construction work on the Lincoln Highway. The gaps that still remain are rapidly being closed up, and the big trail will probably receive its finishing touches long before the end of the twenty years originally figured as necessary.

Previous to 1919 Federal appropriations for road building were so small that the States to which Federal aid was offered hardly knew whether to take it or leave it. Today Federal aid to States for road-building amounts to \$75,000,000 for the past year, and has given employment to vast numbers of men.

The United States Bureau of Public Roads, working in co-operation with the various State highway departments, is supervising road work in every State in the Union, and on the first of last April this involved the construction of \$233,000,000 worth of road projects, representing almost fourteen thousand miles of all kinds of roads. The Government's share of this was approximately \$100,000,000.

Moreover in addition to the work actually under construction there had on that date been completed \$275,000,000 worth of roads, representing well north of the States, a total of 155,088 miles, to which the Government had contributed \$118,000,000.

A few years back Iowa State College didn't have the heart to tell Iowa taxpayers that it would cost \$5,000 a mile to build a good road. Yet today the Federal aid program averages nearly \$18,000 a mile of good road, and no one is Congress or out of Congress is kicking. So completely is the Federal Bureau run that only two and one-half cents of Federal aid appropriations go for administration. All the

rest goes into actual roads.

The Cumberland Pike, started by the Government in 1806, was the first comprehensive Federal road-building project. Its object was to provide a first-class highway to carry traffic through the Cumberland Mountains westward. But with the big railway-building impulse of 1840 the Government directed its aid to railways, and wagon-roads became purely local projects. Even State aid was withheld from road-building until New Jersey in 1891 appropriated State funds to aid counties.

Even the ambitious servants of Uncle Sam who heaved the Cumberland Pike through the mountains would have been dumfounded had they been able to look more than a century into the future and catch a glimpse of what the Bureau of Public Roads in co-operation with State highway departments is accomplishing in road-building. The job is a gigantic one. It is driving across the face of the earth a vast network of roads that will join at State boundaries, and ultimately provide continuous main arteries of good roads that will connect all of the county-seats in the United States without a single break. It is estimated that it will cost nearly three billion dollars to complete it.

Seventy per cent of the mileage of roads built by the Government consists of graded and drained sand-clay, gravel, and macadam roads. This means pioneer work, building roads where there are no roads. The hardest operating-conditions are found in the Mississippi Valley. This is the worst region in the country for effective road-building, and is likewise the region that most needs good roads. The climatic conditions in combination with the clay, gums, and black, waxy soils hamper road-building; and this is the soil that holds water so long that ordinary roads become impassable during the rainy seasons.

While it will require at least 185,000 miles of primary roads to give the country the required network of continuous and interconnecting highways contemplated by the present Federal aid program, that mileage represents only seven per cent of the total roads of the country.

There is no competition between highways and the railways. The railways as freight-movers are essentially long-haul carriers of such commodities as grain, live stock, and coal, while motor-trucks cannot hope to figure in the long-haul movements of these products, but are primarily useful in the local gathering and distribution of dairy products, vegetables, fruits, and manufactured merchandise, and in the relief of rail congestion at the terminals. New York department stores have made elaborate tests in which they have found that it is cheaper and more satisfactory to ship by trucks than by railways where the distance is under forty miles.

In reply to critics who claim that truck traffic does undue damage to good roads, it is pointed out by experts that if trucks are properly built, loaded, and operated, they do not menace the roads. Some truck manufacturers are at fault in concentrating too much of the weight over the rear wheels, so that many trucks carry sixty-five to seventy per cent, and some as high as ninety per cent, of their weight over the rear wheels. This is a mistake. The weight should be more evenly distributed. Trucks overloaded by operators are also bad for roads; a recent investigation in Connecticut shows seventy-five per cent of all trucks overloaded. Worn tires inflict undue shocks to roads, while pneumatic tires are tremendous road-savers.

OPPOSITION TO THE HIGHWAY ACT.

Dallas Morning News

The Highway Commission expresses the opinion, in a statement printed Tuesday, that there is no public sentiment behind the suits which have been begun to break the law which that body administers. Those suits, it declares, are the enterprises of the officials in the counties in which they have been instituted. Others must have held something like the same suspicion. Certainly there has been no evidence to indicate that the officials instituting those suits were acting under the impulse of their constituents. They seem to be acting on their own motion and at their own behest. One will find reason to support that suspicion in the statement of the Highway Commission that several of the counties in which these suits have been brought will get more out of the maintenance fund than they will put into it from levying the license charge. As to one of these counties, it is stated that it will contribute \$18,000 in license fees and get \$20,400 from the maintenance fund. The citizens of a county have no reason for being hostile to a law which gives them more money than it takes from them. But officials have a motive for being hostile to a law which takes from them the expenditure of the money derived under it. In those counties it is not the tax-paying citizens, but the tax-spending citizens, who are bereaved by this statute, a circumstance which gives plausibility to the statement of the Highway Commission that the dislike of this law manifested in these suits is confined mostly to the court-houses of those counties.

This highway statute is a popular law, whether it is a constitutional one or not. It gets its popularity from the fact that it promises a much more efficient and economical maintenance of our improved highways than they have received in the past.

INDIANA STANDARD OIL ENDORSES MELLON TAX PLAN

Among the recent indorsements given to the Mellon plan for tax reduction by some of its prospective beneficiaries is that of R. W. Stewart, chairman of the board of directors of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana. Mr. Stewart visited President Coolidge at the White House a few days ago to "report on industrial and political conditions in Central West," according to his statement to the correspondents.

Other subjects of his conference with the President, Mr. Stewart refused to discuss, but he was willing to be quoted as having "strongly endorsed" the Mellon proposal. As Secretary Mellon favors decreases of from \$10,284 to \$1,239,000 on incomes of \$100,000 to \$5,000,000, Mr. Stewart's enthusiasm for the scheme was understood by the correspondents.

NEWSBOY KING

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 16.—The "King of Newsboys"—Jack Lloyd—paid Houston a visit recently. Lloyd whose temples are slightly gray and who gives his age as 49, won the title of "Newsboys King" when he sold 124,000 papers in 21 hours at Buffalo when President McKinley was assassinated. He had a crew to help him but he personally sold 12,000.

The high spots of Lloyd's career are:

Began selling papers on the streets of New York at the age of 8.

Only American newsboy in Johannesburg, South Africa, during the 1901 diamond rush.

Made record sales during the San Francisco earthquake.

Veteran of two wars—Spanish-American and World War.

Was in France and was wounded twice.

"I'm never going to grow old," Lloyd said. "Work with the kids and you'll stay young."

J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home will be open to the public soon, watch for opening date. News Publishing Company.

Rev. J. L. Higginbotham of Te-huacana is in the city Friday and says that he has decided to enter the race for tax assessor after being solicited by a number of friends throughout the county. He will soon make his formal announcement and get into the race actively.

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Ice cream was introduced into France about 1550.

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CITIZENSHIP
Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

The cost of bad roads as compared with that of good roads considered from a financial and economic and social standpoint is indeed much higher than any good road ever cost a state. Good roads make better citizens and bigger values. Bad roads interfere with the making of citizens. They curtail school attendance, church attendance, tend to isolate, hamper the distribution of mail, and interfere with social intercourse between friends and neighbors. One of the Advantages of Heaven, according to Milton, is a "broad and ample road." Bad roads cost in many ways; loss of time, vehicles broken, produce ruined and lead surely to retrogression and decay.

Judge Owen F. Watkins was in Groesbeck Friday on professional business.

J. A. Lettwich was here from Waco Thursday.

J. W. Polly of Waco was here Thursday.

J. V. Hankla was here Thursday from Austin.

J. V. Haney was a Thursday visitor to Mexia from Waco.

L. M. Cheek of Waco was in Mexia Thursday.

R. D. Thable of Waco was in the city last Thursday.

H. R. Crouch was here from Waco Friday.

G. C. Calhoun was here from Corsicana Friday.

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Latest News From The Oil Fields

Concerning the Powell area of the Mexia oil producing district The Oil Weekly says:

The big flush production obtained during the eleven months that followed the discovery of the Powell field in Navarro county section of East Central Texas in January, 1923, proved to be one of the most spectacular events in the history of the oil industry in the United States, and materially fortified Texas' position as an oil producing state. The development of this field over-shadowed all other operations and discoveries made in Texas during the year 1923, although a number of important producing areas were uncovered. It was also a contributing factor in bringing on a spell of overproduction of crude and comparatively low prices in the Mid-Continent fields.

A concern known as the Corsicana Deep Well Company is responsible for the discovery of the Powell field after experiencing more than two years of hardships, during which time its first two tests were junked and abandoned before reaching the producing horizon. The discovery well is located on the J. O. Burke farm, and started flowing by heads at the rate of about 350 barrels daily January 7, 1923, from the Woodbine sand at 2950 to 2960 feet. The drilling campaign that followed the completion of this well later developed that the discovery well was situated in the extreme northeast end of the woodbine structure, and that the trend of production extended in a straight line to the southwest. Completion of the Hughes Development Company's McKie 1, located two and one-half miles southwest of the discovery well, on May 9, flowing about 6,000 barrels daily, furnished the first big production for the field, and literally started the ball to rolling from a standpoint of lease buying and drilling campaigns. This well caught fire on May 10 and burned to death 13 field workmen and members of the drilling crew.

The large initial production and extension given the Powell field by the McKie well was soon followed by a series of extensions further southwest, and by the middle of July the development of the field was under way on a large scale, with daily production soaring rapidly. Drilling activity in the field reached its peak during the week ended September 1, with a total of 233 operations, but the field did not establish its record breaking mark in actual daily production until the middle of November when slightly more than 350,000 barrels of oil was produced and handled by the various pipe lines, nearly tank farms and tank car loading racks serving the field. Considerable production was shut in for lack of pipe line and storage facilities when this high mark was set. About the time the output of the field reached its peak, the trend of production to the southwest was virtually defined, giving the field a length of seven and one-tenth miles in an un-interrupted line proven for production, with the widest point being about 2800 feet, and averaging less than 2500 feet in width.

The most prolific area in the Powell field was found in the southwest end on the Lewis, Phillips, Fleming, Cliff, Davis, Kellum and Kent leases, with initial production ranging as high as 30,000 barrels daily, and it was the exhaustion of the high production from these leases after a normal life of 30 days per well that caused the field to make its spectacular slump during the last two weeks in November and early part of December. The field finished the year with a daily average of approximately 75,000 barrels, while less than two months previous it was commanding the attention of the petroleum world with a daily output of 370,000 barrels. About 500 producing wells were completed in the Powell field during 1923.

Results establish a high record for actual daily production, the Powell field broke all previous records for the

entire country on daily production for one concern in one field when the Humble Oil & Refining Company registered an actual output of 120,046 barrels of oil during 24 hour period ended November 13, and 116,405 barrels on the following days. At the close of December the Humble's actual production was down to 25,000 barrels daily. The field afforded the quickest turnover on money expended for drilling than any major oil producing area in the country, and new records were set in making fast drilling time. Operators avoided, the heretofore, usual 10-day shutdown for cemented casing to set before drilling in by universal use of chemical quick setting compounds that gave satisfactory results within 72 hours, thereby speeding up the completion of wells by seven days.

1924 Prospects. At the close of 1923 the Powell field's producing structure appeared to have been defined, and virtually all locations had been drilled or occupied by a rig, while late completions are confined mostly to pumping wells. The series of shallow oil and gas sands ranging from 500 to 1800 feet in depth offer some possibilities for continued drilling during 1924, but this development will be of only minor importance from a production standpoint. The possibilities of a deeper producing horizon on the Powell structure proper is yet to be determined.

The big flush production and quick turnover of the money invested in the Powell field has caused the major companies as well as independent concerns and individuals to seek other fields of this type and from the same producing formation, and preparations were being made towards the close of 1923 to launch a big wildcat campaign in the fault zone extending north east of the Powell field and up into Hopkins county.

Exports From Mexico Show Big Increase

TAMPICO, Mexico, Jan. 18.—Last month 18 shipping companies exported 13,562,865 barrels of petroleum and its products as compared with shipments of 12,054,235 barrels by the same companies in the preceding month of November, being an increase for December over November of 1,

508,630 barrels.

For the first time in more than a year the Huasteca Petroleum company lost its position as the leading oil shipper from the republic of Mexico. In December it was surpassed by the Transcontinental Oil company which shipped 2,826,135 barrels as compared with shipments of 2,416,23 barrels by the Huasteca, a difference of 346,897 barrels.

The Mexican Sinclair (Freeport & Mexican Fuel Oil corporation) is getting up toward the 2,000,000 barrel a month mark, its shipments in December totaling 1,791,983 barrels, and was an increase over its November exports of 314,998 barrels.

The Transcontinental company likewise showed a big increase last month over its November shipments, the increase being 524,300 barrels.

The Huasteca company showed a slight decrease, 7510 barrels, while the Corona company decreased its shipments by 157,628 barrels. The East Coast Oil company increased its exports by 144,200 barrels, while the Texas Company of Mexico's exports fell off 155,818 barrels.

No report was received from the Pierce Oil company up to the hour of sending this news item, but in November the Pierce shipped 86,990 barrels.

Following is a list of the shipping companies and their exports for last month and the preceding month of November:

Transcontinental	2,826,135
Huasteca	2,416,238
Mex-Sinclair	1,791,983
Corona	1,543,828
Agulla	1,434,374
Mexican Gulf	739,384
Texas	654,287
East Coast	629,811
International	389,417
Imperio	324,262
New England	288,625
Island	138,908
Chaddick & Co.	113,896
Panuco Boston	63,678
Agwi	84,579
Interocean	50,830
Mexican Atlas	27,810

Total 13,562,865

November Oil Exports

Huasteca	2,468,757
Mexican Gulf	609,559
Agulla	1,003,861
Corona	1,702,456
Freeport	1,446,935
East Coast	485,611
Chaddick & Co.	135,880
Texas	800,104
New England	274,675

Agwi	157,280
International	135,202
Panuco Boston	65,919
U. S. Tex	27,784
Empire	228,886
Interocean	62,651
Pierce	86,990
Transcontinental	2,301,835
Total	12,054,235

Auto Safety Factor Is Ninety Per Cent

D. M. Mason Shows How Automobile Losses and Accidents Can Be Greatly Reduced.

Lack of Attention to Brakes and Tires Causes Most of the Accidents Reported.

The present "safety factor" for automobiles is 90 per cent, at least in Pennsylvania, according to W. W. Matthews, Chief Inspector of the Highway Department of that state. Out of every 100 automobiles registered in Pennsylvania during the year, one is burned, two are stolen, three are damaged on the road, and four are wrecked in collisions—making a total of 10 casualties out of each 100.

How to Reduce Fire and Theft. These figures, according to D. M. Mason, General Manager of The Mason Tire & Rubber Co., disclose plenty of reason for a "safety first" movement in the equipment, care and oper-

ation of automobiles. A small, chemical fire-extinguisher, carried on the car, will reduce the fire hazard. Locks for transmissions, steering wheels and closed-car doors, will reduce the number of cars stolen. So will legislation like the new Pennsylvania law, effective Nov. 25, 1923, requiring a certificate of title to prove automobile ownership. Drivers' licenses, as required by several states, says Mr. Mason, will also help. 70 Per Cent of Accidents Are on Road. But the great majority of accidents—7 out of 10, or 70 per cent—are due to road trouble and collisions. For the most part, says Mr. Mason, these can be avoided.

Mr. Mason believes greatly in proper care and equipment. Brakes should be relined when advisable, and always kept in proper adjustment. Brakes, however, are utterly useless if the tries do not grip the road surface. The new Mason "Safety First" tire, with 207 specially designed "safety grips" that really hold, will resist skidding or slipping to an amazing degree even on the most slippery asphalt. And the 138 heavy rubber sidewall buttresses on the Mason "Safety First" tire are unusually effective when driving on car tracks in the city, and protect the tire against curbstone abrasion and in the deep ruts of country roads.

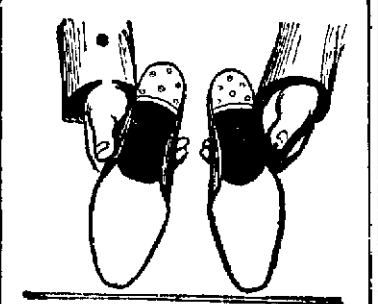
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DALLAS.—Construction work on the electrification of the Dallas-Denton line of the M. T. & T. railroad has begun. This additional electric interurban railway for Dallas will cost about a million dollars.

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Passenger And Freight Agents Meet San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 18.—Railroad men representing 30 lines of the United States gathered here today for the annual convention of the Passenger, Ticket and Freight Agents' Association of Texas which opens tomorrow.

More than 500 of the 673 members of the Association were expected to be on hand when the meeting is called to order by Elbert Blair, southwest-ern freight agent of the Chicago and Alton Railroad, president of the Association.

Special cars brought the men to San Antonio. A side trip to Monterrey, Mexico will be one of the features of the gathering provided the revolution in Mexico does not make the excursion dangerous.

The convention program includes: Invocation by Reverend Hugh Mc-Clellan; welcoming address by Mayor John Tobin; response by Elbert Blair.

Other speakers will address the convention and questions of interest to the delegates will be discussed.

A reunion of the organizers of the Association who met first in San Antonio 18 years ago, will be one of the features of the program. There were 13 original members of which three are dead and two have retired. The first convention met January 6, 1906.

RICH STATE CARRIAGES TO BE REBUILT BY JAPS (By International News Service)

TOKIO, Jan. 17.—State carriages for the imperial family, valued at approximately 3,000,000 yen (\$1,500,000) must be replaced, as a result of the destruction in the September earthquake of vehicles there. Handsomely decorated coaches, among them the coach built for the Prince Regent and his bride to ride in directly following their marriage ceremony, and the one the present Emperor rode in to his coronation ceremony in 1915, were demolished when the stables in the imperial Palace compound fell in the earthquake of September 1, 1923.

In all eighty carriages in the Imperial Palace compounds were destroyed, as were thirteen at the Akasaka Detached Palace.



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DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 18.—Most unusual of all letters that have passed through the Dallas postoffice was one received recently. It was addressed to "Mr. Jesus Christ, Chicago, Ill."

Investigating postal authorities found that a "Holiness Worshiper," living in a small community near Dallas, had mailed the letter.

For some weeks the man's daughter had been seriously ill. Steadily he had prayed for recovery but in vain. When his daughter fared no better he wrote the letter, setting forth his circumstances. He could give no reason for the Chicago address.

BLAZE THE TRAIL IN "WAY OF A MAN"

One of the most impressive scenes in the ten-episode Pathe serial, "The Way of a Man," from the widely-read novel by Emerson Hough, famous author of period stories, is a great train of covered wagons, slowly wending down a steep winding road, known as the Oregon and Santa Fe trails.

This serial, directed by George B. Seitz, is said to be a triumph in chapter-play production. It presents in the leading roles two splendid artists, new to serials—Allene Ray, a young lady of much beauty and athletic prowess, and Harold Miller, handsome, manly and fearless. Other

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ROSS HARLAN ROUTH OF DALLAS TO SPEAK AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Ross Harlan Routh of Dallas will speak at the First Baptist Church Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Mr. Routh is an Eagle Scout and also Captain of the Students Military Organization at Oak Cliff High School, Dallas, and has won many honors in Scout movements, acting with his troop as policeman for the city of Dallas during strategic times. He comes to us very highly recommended by Scout authorities and will give the best of information to all boys desiring to become Scouts in this city. All candidates for the Tenderfoot Badge including boys ages 12 to 18 year inclusive, and all former Scouts are especially urged to be present.

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Missionaries Go Back To Africa

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 18.—Reverend and Mrs. W. F. McElroy, and Edgar C. Priest were expected to leave here today for S. John's New Brunswick where they will sail with six other Presbyterian Missionaries for Africa on January 30.

The missionaries will sail on the steamship Minnesota to resume their duties in the missionary field on the dark continent.

Priest spent the holidays with friends and relatives in Rusk and Austin. He goes to Africa as business utility agent and will be stationed at Bilangu Kabinda, under contract for three years.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Approximately 12,000 former Vitek stockholders were mailed cash dividend checks today by the Southern States Oil corporation and Western States Oil corporation, 350 Madison avenue, New York. Southern States and Western States pay 1 per cent monthly. Vitek stockholders are paid quarterly. No dividend checks for less than \$1 are forwarded. This is the second cash dividend to former Vitek stockholders.

Vitek turned over 26 completed oil wells to the Southern and Western on May 25, 1923. Three additional wells have been drilled on the former Vitek leases by the Southern and Western. The Vitek wells on the Fincher, Stringfellow, Gramer, McClonahan, Allen, School House and Murphy leases are producing approximately 1500 barrels daily. Many of the wells are shut down until the price of oil goes up.

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Letters from People

BOY SCOUTS

Mexico, Texas, Jan. 18, 1924

Mr. A. Garland Adair,
Editor, News Publishing Co.,
Mexico, Texas.

Dear Mr. Adair:

We would thank you to kindly give publicity through your paper today, the meeting of Boy Scouts that will take place tonight at the Baptist church. A number of citizens have been invited to be present, and we especially invite all ministers of the different churches to be at this meeting.

That the boys may more thoroughly understand about this meeting, all are urged to be present tonight at 8:00 o'clock between the ages of 12 and 18 years, and those who were not able to attend the meeting a week ago are also requested to be on hand.

That the citizens and boys may more thoroughly understand this movement, the object of the meeting is strictly unselfish, and is positively not a denominational affair, but is "All for Mexia" and the Boy Scouts of Mexia.

After the Organization has been perfected, the different churches will be expected to get behind the proposition and if they so desire, organize their boys into a separate troupe. Mr. Routh of Dallas will arrive at 8:00 o'clock today, and will speak to the boys tonight at 7:00 o'clock, instructing them in the Scout movement.

Mr. Routh is an Eagle Scout, and has won special distinction in the Scout movement, and we are very fortunate indeed in getting this young man here for the occasion and it is hoped that every minister in Mexia will urge that all boys be present at this meeting that they might be first-hand instructed as to the benefits to be derived from such a movement.

Thanking you for any publicity that you may see fit to give other than this letter, and your editorial a few days ago, we are,

Yours very truly,
Paul B. Hoper,
J. P. Dunaway.Narcotic Agents
Locate in Houston

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 18.—Houston is to be the scene of one of the most drastic clean up "dope" raids in the history of the state.

J. E. Wells and J. H. Fleming, recently appointed state agents for Houston, have established headquarters here and are laying plans for the campaign.

It is a cashment under suspicion of these narcotics illegally will be seized and their owners charged with violating narcotics laws if found to be "dope" in "dope."

The attack will center on dope smugglers, it was learned. The federal agents plan to close every avenue of dope smuggling into Houston from the cin cin pel Galveston and the Mexican border.

Australian builders have developed an automobile with the engine midway between the front and rear wheels, claim drive to the rear axle and a ply wood body.

The bearings in a new motor drive pump for cutting lubricants are protected from contact with the oil, which frequently carries abrasive particles with them.

Schedule Made
For Movement by
Presbyterians

Schedules have been arranged for the city section in the Texas Presbyterian educational movement, with plans to close the statewide campaign for \$1,350,000 by July 1. There are 10 large campaigns in cities where the Presbyterian population warrants more time than in the smaller centers. These dates will be submitted to the local church leaders by the State executive committee and arrangements made to open at once.

Brownwood will open late in January and close February 25. Beaumont Feb. 2, March 9; El Paso, Feb. 6, March 8; Austin, Feb. 5, March 10; Galveston, Feb. 29, March 30; San Antonio, March 23, April 27; Dallas, March 24, May 4; Fort Worth, March 25, May 29; Waco, April 12, May 16; Sherman, April 12, May 12.

The schedule for the smaller city campaigns are as follows: Boeville, Jan. 25, Feb. 20; Corpus Christi, Feb. 1, Feb. 27; McAllen, Feb. 1, Feb. 20; San Angelo, Feb. 23, March 14; Vernon, March 1, March 20; Cleburne, March 22, April 9; Victoria, March 22, April 8; Taylor, April 3, April 23; Cameron, April 12, April 30; Mineral Wells, April 12, April 30; Orange, May 1, May 20; Marshall, May 1, May 20; Texarkana, May 2, May 21; McKinney, May 29, June 18; Abilene, May 29, June 19; Kingsville, May 30, June 20; Cuero, May 30, June 20; Longview, May 31, June 22; Cisco, May 31, June 22; Greenville, June 1, June 23.

DRINK WATER IF
KIDNEYS BOTHER

Flush your kidneys by drinking a quart of water each day, also take salts occasionally, says a noted authority, who tells us that too much rich food forms acids which almost paralyze the kidneys in their efforts to expel it from the blood. They become sluggish and weaken; then you may suffer with a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach sour, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have the twinges. The urine gets cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get sore and irritated, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night.

To help neutralize these irritating acids, to help cleanse the kidneys and flush off the body's urinous waste, get four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy here. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days, and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in the system so they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, cannot injure and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year. (Adv.)

The type in a new device that prints advertisements on wrapping paper as it is unrolled from reel, can be changed whenever desired by the person using it.

Sulphur Is Best
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Any breaking out or skin irritation on face, neck or body is overcome quickest by applying Mentho-Sulphur, says a noted skin specialist. Because of its germ destroying properties, nothing has ever been found to take the place of this sulphur preparation that instantly brings ease from the itching, burning and irritation.

Mentho-Sulphur heals eczema right up, leaving the skin clear and smooth. It seldom fails to relieve the torment or disfigurement. A little jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur may be obtained at any drug store. It is used like a cream.—(Adv.)

Are You Fat?
Just Try This!

Thousands of overfat people have become slim by following the advice of doctors who recommended Marmola Prescription Tablets, those harmless little fat reducers that simplify the dose of the famous Marmola Prescription. If too fat, do not wait—go now to your druggist and for one dollar, which is the price the world over, procure a box of these tablets. If preferable you can secure them direct by sending price to the Marmola Co., 1612 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich. They reduce steadily and easily without tire some exercise or starvation diet and leave no unpleasant effect.—(Adv.)

NOTICE
Springfield Lodge No. 74
A. F. and A. M.
Colon Phillips, W. M.
Called meeting tonight for work examinations. Visitors always welcome.

CAPTAIN LAING
LOOKS FOR A
HOME FOR
CHILDREN

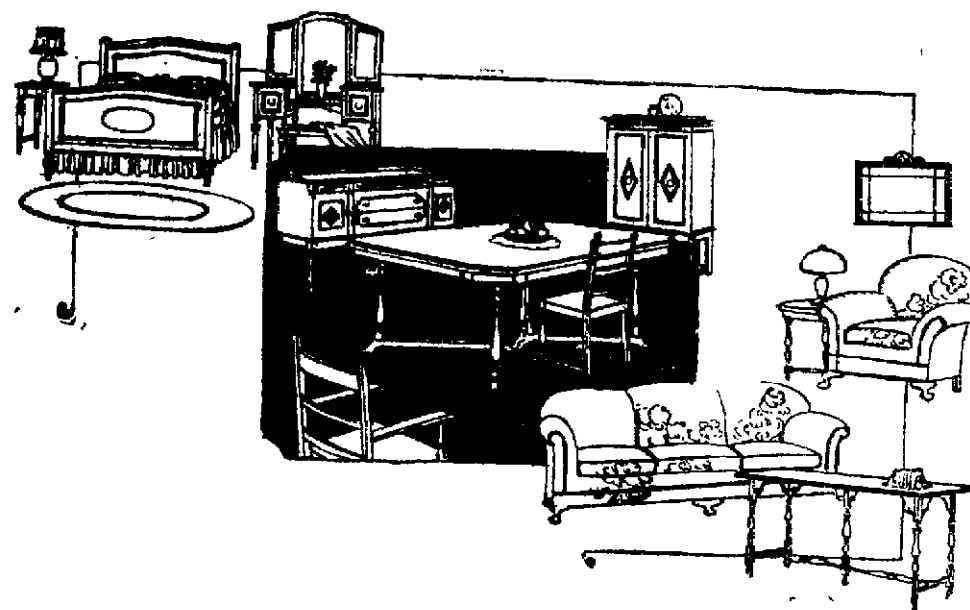
Captain Laing of the Salvation Army reports that he and Mrs. Laing now have three little children and their mother in the Salvation Army home here, where they are providing for them temporarily until arrangements can be made to take care of them permanently. The little family has a heart breaking story of the unfaithfulness of the father, coming here recently from West Texas. The oldest child is about 8 years, the next is three and the baby is about 8 months. They lived in the cotton fields near Ranger, it seems, where the mother and the eldest child picked cotton until the crop was gathered. Then they came to Mexia, going to the Salvation Army the next day after arrival where they have been cared for since. Captain and Mrs. Laing introduced the children to a bath tub and in a few days they have blossomed out into clean, respectful little fellows, while the baby, they declare, to be as handsome as any baby boy they have ever provided a home for. The mother is about 24 years of age. Captain Laing states that he is anxious to find someone to adopt the children, if possible, and if a home cannot be secured for all of them, at least for the baby. In case, no homes can be found, they will likely be sent to the Salvation Army orphanage. However, the captain states that he will do that only after the last effort to place them elsewhere has failed. He has discussed the matter with local attorneys as well as the mother, and legal adoption may be secured by those who care to take them into their homes. He states that he has had several calls for babies in recent months but never before has he had need for such offers.

FORTH POST OAK

FIELD WELL IN

MARLIN, Texas, Jan. 18.—The midnight Wednesday at 1,080 feet with an estimated flow of 200 or more barrels. This makes the fourth producer in Falvey No. 2 test on the Chance lease, the Post oak field, with a total production of 400 feet from the Falvey No. 1 on the duction around 1,000 barrels per day. Randolph tract, was brought in at The Vise test on the Thomas lease is

expected in within the next few days. With a pipe line completed and loading racks erected to take care of production, little loss from waste is expected in the field. Pay your poll tax.



To The People of Mexia:-

We end our fiscal year January 31, and from now until that date we are going to make a general reduction over our entire line. While we are not going to the expense of advertising and running a sale we are going to give this to our customers in prices.

We have quite a few odd pieces and close out numbers which will be offered at ridiculously low prices and we will guarantee that it will be to your advantage to get our prices before you buy. Perhaps we have the price to fill in that vacant place and at a price less than half.

This does not mean that we are offering just a few articles in our store at bargain prices but everything in the store carries a substantial reduction. WE ARE GOING TO REDUCE OUR STOCK BEFORE FEBRUARY FIRST. All we ask is that you come in and see our stock, compare our prices and quality and we will have no difficulty in selling you.

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GENE SINCLAIR

GOOD SHOES AND HOSIERY



MORGAN IS HOME FROM MEETING OF WATER MEN

B. D. Morgan, City Engineer, returned Tuesday night from Topeka, Kansas where he had been attending an executive meeting of the Southwestern Waterworks Association of which he is secretary. He reports that the committee arranged the next meeting of the Association but set no date.

Mr. Morgan stated that he enjoyed an old time sleigh ride while in Topeka. The temperature, he said, was 5 degrees below zero and there were 8 or 10 inches of snow on the ground. He reported that something like 600 water meters in the city of Topeka froze and bursted in the city of Topeka alone.

Merchants Meet In Convention At San Antonio

From February 14 to 16 inclusive there will be a retail merchants' convention in San Antonio, Texas. All the retailers of south Texas are invited to attend.

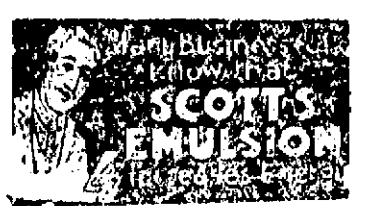
The object of the meeting is to secure greater co-operation between retailer, wholesaler and manufacturer for the benefit of each and the up-building of the Southwest.

Fred P. Mann, a director of the United States Chamber of Commerce, and himself a nationally known retailer will be the principal speaker. There will be other speakers who are well acquainted with merchandising problems, and the retailers of South Texas will themselves exchange ideas.

An elaborate program of dinners, theatre parties and other entertainments has been arranged. Every effort will be made to make the meeting both profitable and pleasurable. Merchants are invited to bring their families.

There will be autos parked by one principal hotels to take visiting merchants wherever they wish to go at any time, whether their trip is to be one of business or pleasure.

All railroads have authorized an excursion rate of a fare and a half. Merchants are requested to make



their reservations by phoning, writing, or writing the Trade Extension Department of the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce.

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People who have been embarrassed repeatedly on account of disfigured skin on their face, neck, arms and hands, caused by eczema, tetter, rash, boils, pimples, etc., are nearly always sensitive about these things to the point of feeling that everybody is watching them and talking about how bad they look.

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The 50c size contains three times as much as the 25c size. All dealers have it. (Adv.)

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 18—Sixteen "gentlemen of the open road" were taken into custody when police started a cleanup of "vags" last week. War on the flouters will be kept up all throughout the Spring to discourage the "snow birds" from congregating in Houston.

J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home will be open to the public soon, watch for opening date. News Publishing Company.



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NEW-WAY LAUNDRY

Hearing Given Man Accused Of Shooting

Harry Hines, accused of shooting at C. D. Glaze and J. P. Prentice, two men employed by the Magnolia Company on their Thompson B. Lease about two miles west of town, with intent to kill, was given an examining trial in Justice Osborne Kennedy's court Thursday afternoon. He was released under \$1,000 bond.

According to Constable Felz and the two men who claim to have been shot at, the latter were at work in a boiler room on the lease when a man entered about one o'clock at night wearing a handkerchief over his face and shot at one of them twice, missing each time but a very little. The men stated that they thought at the time that some of the boys associated with them were trying to pull a prank but on discovering bullet holes in the walls decided otherwise.

The men also stated that some time before a man had come to them confidentially and asked that they open some barrels of fuel oil belonging to the Magnolia and let the oil run down the creek so that he might catch it. The men said they refused and reported the matter to the company who employed the man. Some trouble developed over the situation and about two weeks ago the shooting occurred.

LONG HORN MUSICIANS MAY PLAY IN MEXIA

According to recent communications from Austin, regarding the trip of the Long Horn Band, that musical organization will likely tour many of the leading cities of the state. According to the manager, it may be that arrangements can be made to play in Mexia, while going from Houston to Corsicana and to Waco. The schedule has not yet been definitely announced, but assurance is given that if possible, the band will stop here for one day.

Miss Bess Kirven of Corsicana is the guest of Miss Francis Bass.

NOTICE
Patterson Jewelry Co. is now located next door to Karner & Phillips. Not connected with repair shop in Shulz building in any way.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible School at 9:45, for the young and the old.

Worship and preaching service at 11:00. The subject for the sermon at the morning hour: "The Church that Christ Built." Christian Endeavor at 6:15 p. m. Preaching services at 7:15 p. m. Subject: "The Master Builder's Workmanship." Some people tell us that the earth was once a part of the sun, and that man came into existence thru a process of evolution; but the Bible tells us that the earth was made before the sun was made, and that man is a product of God, created in his own image and likeness. As for me I accept the teaching of the Bible. Hear this message next Sunday evening.

G. T. Reaves, Minister

ELKS BAND REORGANIZED

The Elks band has been reorganized and placed under the direction of Frank P. Werner. This reorganization took place several days ago. Several new members have been added to the band and Mr. Werner reports that the meetings of the band are exceptionally well attended.

Franklin drank only water.

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When you draken your hair with Sage Tea and Sulphur to one can tell, because it's done so naturally so evenly. Preparing this mixture, though, at home is messy and troublesome. At little cost you can buy at any drug store the ready-to-use preparation, improved by the addition of other ingredients called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound." You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning all gray hair disappears, and, after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully darkened, glossy and luxuriant.

Gray, faded hair, though no disgrace, is a sign of old age, and as we all desire a youthful and attractive appearance, get busy at once with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound and look years younger. (Adv.)

Pay your poll tax.

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What the Farmer Needs for '24



This is a much discussed subject. Our opinion is that the farmer needs more than anything to be delivered from superfluous free advice.

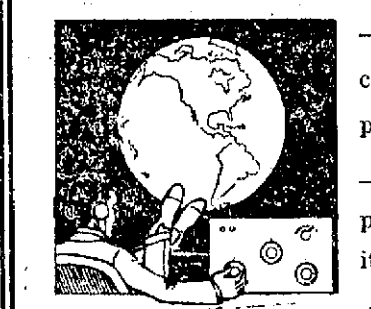


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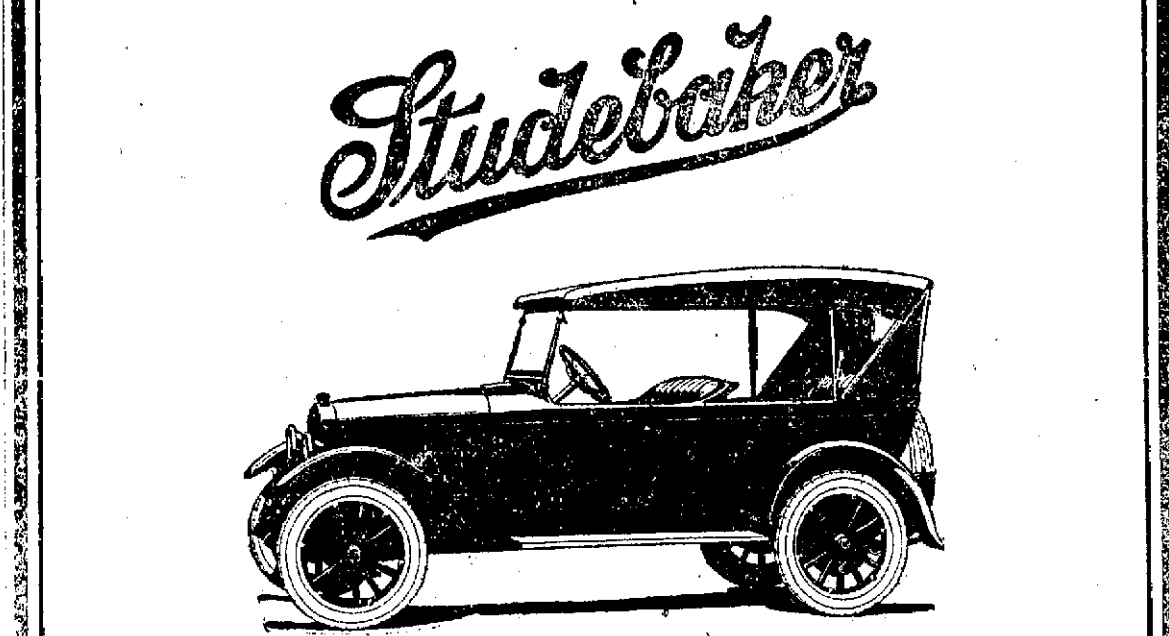
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GENERAL AGENT for a practical and useful household utility to work in Limestone County, also canvassers. Will make money and friends for you. Write to Henry Woods, 1307 Caroline Street, Houston, Texas. 11A7

POSITIONS WANTED—B

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Will save you money on tires and its repair work. Phone 711. Ben J. Jackson. Corner W. Carthage and Benton streets. 14C1

LOST AND FOUND—D

OST—Part of gold fountain pen, engraved O. F. B. Lost either on streets of Mexia or between business district and 719 E. Samplers. Finder, please phone 928-W. Reward. 16P2

OST—Pair of mules. Strayed from farm 9 miles east of Mexia, three weeks ago. Mare mules, one bay and one blue. 11½ hands high. 1 year old and wild. \$10 reward for information leading to recovery of mules. Hugh Everett, Mexia, Texas. 15D4

WANTED TO BUY—E

ANT TO BUY J. K. Hughes Developing Company. E. L. Smith Oil Company. Mexia Heart of Paul Rogers Company. Powell Five Hundred. See McLendon, room 1 McLendon Bldg., Mexia, Texas. 18E29

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WILL SELL 22 room furnished apartment at 812 East Palestine street cheap for cash or will trade for Dallas property or take small cash payment, balance to suit. Joseph Trudgeon, 1221 First Ave., Dallas, Texas. 11J7

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FOR SALE—Three beds, mattresses, springs, dishes, ice box, two dressers, chairs, etc., at bargain, as we are moving. See Beiber Bros., Bargain Store. 16J3

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—Six room house, lights, bath and water; near high school on South McKinney. Apply C. J. Sterling 503 South Canton. 13K4

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THE STATE OF TEXAS:

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. A. Riley by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return to me hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court in and for Precinct No. 4, of Limestone County, Texas, to be held in the Court House thereof at Mexia on the second Tuesday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 328 wherein A. L. Griffin is plaintiff and C. A. Riley is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff, at the special instance and request of defendant, performed certain labor for him at the agreed price of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per month, and that said services were performed under said contract for a period of four months at the total agreed price of Forty Dollars (\$40.00) for which plaintiff sues defendant, and for Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) additional as attorney's fees incurred by plaintiff in the prosecution of this suit.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said 11th day of the said March term of said court this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
Limestone County.

Issued this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
Limestone County, Tex.

16-21-30-6

NOTICE TO PATRONS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The second half of the school term begins January 28. First grade classes for beginners will be started at that time. All children six and one-half years of age or more on or before January 28 are eligible for admission. Those who were not seven years old before September 1, 1923, will pay tuition at the rate of \$2.50 per month. Parents are urged to register these beginners within the next ten days with the principal of the proper grammar school.

C. A. PUCKETT, Supt. 16-4

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Limestone, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof: Notice of Application for Probate of Will

The State of Texas,
To all Persons interested in the Estate of Jonathan C. Yeldell, Deceased. Mrs. Alice Yeldell has filed in the County Court of Limestone County, an application for the Probate of the will of Jonathan C. Yeldell, Deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the first Monday in February A. D. 1924, at the Court House thereof, in the town of Groesbeck at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said Court this writ with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 11th day of January, A. D. 1924.

J. L. DAY, Clerk County Court, Limestone County, Texas.

By ANNA BURNEY, Deputy.
A true copy I certify.

WHIT POPEJOY, Sheriff
Limestone County, Texas.
By N. P. HARRIS, Deputy.
Jan. 14-21.

INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of \$1,000 or more or gross income of \$5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of \$1,000

or more of gross income of \$5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of \$2,000 or more or gross income of \$5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over \$6,000 for the year 1923.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between O. Y. Manning and J. P. Dunaway, in Mexia, Limestone County, Texas, was by mutual consent dissolved as of date December 19th, 1923.

By the terms of said dissolution, J. P. Dunaway became and now is sole owner and proprietor of the Kaufman Street Grocery, and all accounts due said Kaufman Street Grocery are payable to him.

O. Y. Manning likewise becomes sole owner and proprietor of the Model Grocery, and all accounts due same are payable to the said O. Y. Manning.

By the terms of dissolution and settlement as mutually agreed upon, O. Y. Manning assumes and becomes liable for the payment of all debts due by both the Kaufman Street Grocery, and the Model Grocery as of date of December 19, 1923, since which time all debts contracted or obligations assumed by the Kaufman Street Grocery or the Model Grocery, are payable by J. P. Dunaway and O. Y. Manning respectively.

Witness our hands, this the 12th day of January, 1924.

O. Y. Manning,
J. P. Dunaway.

CANDIDATES

Announcements

1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. STEEN
For Tax Assessor—
A. A. HYDEN.

H. & T. C.
EFFECTIVE 12:01 A. M. JUNE 17th.

North bound—
345 From cut-off 4:47 p. m.
15 Dallas Ft. Worth 3:44 p. m.
31 Dallas Ft. Worth 12:50 p. m.
37 Dallas Ft. Worth 5:14 a. m.
17 Dallas Ft. Worth 4:35 a. m.
19 Dallas Ft. Worth 3:55 a. m.

South bound—
346 To cut-off 7:00 a. m.
16 Houston San Antonio 11:45 a. m.
32 From Dallas 10:08 a. m.
38 Austin San Antonio 12:21 a. m.
18 Houston San Antonio 1:37 a. m.
20 Houston San Antonio 12:16 a. m.

T. & B. V.
North.
No. 8—3:25 p. m.

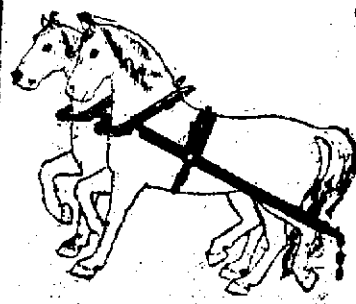
South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

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Local News

C. B. Johnson of Waco was in town Wednesday.

L. C. Lay, of Waco was in the city Wednesday.

H. W. McCutchen was here from Waco Tuesday.

P. T. Someskey was here Wednesday from Emma.

H. H. Seidler was here from Corsicana Wednesday.

J. T. Jarvis was here from Corsicana Wednesday.

H. C. Fubank of Waco was a visitor to Mexia Wednesday.

M. Morris was a visitor Thursday to Mexia from Corsicana.

J. M. Paul was a visitor to Mexia Wednesday from Emma.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Collis were here

Wednesday from Waco.

J. W. McLarase was a visitor to Mexia Tuesday from Waco.

N. Morrison was a visitor to Mexia Wednesday from Corsicana.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nussbaum left Thursday for a visit to his brother at Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Scott were in the city Wednesday and Thursday from Topeka.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lysinger of Topeka, were in the city Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Tom Fortson and little daughter, of Rice are visiting her mother, Mrs. Dr. Conrad.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Wofford of Coolidge visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wofford of this place Thursday.

Ross Harlan Routh, Premier Boy Scout, of Dallas will address the troupe at the First Baptist Church, Friday night.

J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home will be open to the public soon; watch for opening date. News Publishing Company.

Miss Mary Carpenter from Healdton, Oklahoma, a niece of W. D. Pittman of this city is visiting in Mexia and prospecting with a view of locating here.

The ladies of Christian church will have a Saturday market opening at 9 a. m. in the building one door south of Wilson and Forrest Grocery Co. Cakes, pies, candy, chickens, eggs, chow chow, chili and other things will be on sale.

DIAMOND REVUE AT THE OPERA HOUSE

(Press Notice)

Thursday night marked the last night of "Forty-Five Minutes From Broadway." This show was acclaimed one of the most entertaining of the season. Mr. Virgil Siner, popular producer and leading man of the company was good in the role of "Kid Burns" and left nothing to be desired in his superb acting of the different

part that he had in the production. Miss Hazel Hurd as "Mary" was one of the distinctive hits of the evening. Who with her sweetness and unsophisticated charm and wonderful voice lent beauty and harmony to a wonderfully enacted role. Fred Twyman as Mr. Brady had a difficult part and holds his role to perfection. Miss Lillian Bentz as an adventuress actress who planned to entangle young Jack Clark with her will in order to secure a fortune she thinks has been left him, adds much charm and beauty to the program.

Mr. Walter Esmond, handsome juvenile man of the company portrayed the role of Jack Clark, friend and employer of Kid Burns, and did the part much to his credit. Miss Kate Mitchell and F. A. Dulin were also in the cast. The Diamond Revue Jazz Band Syncopators were the hit of the show with their wonderful jazz and harmony playing.

Beginning Saturday the Diamond Revue will present "In the Hills of Old Virginia" with special music, scenery and wardrobe. This is a bill made for laughing purposes only and every one is a show of real treat.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Harry Rosenfeldt, former Government prohibition agent, alleged in a \$100,000 damage suit that fellow agents beat and robbed him when he threatened to expose their bootlegging activities.

The present annual production of coal from the Southwest Wales anthracite field is about 5,000,000 tons or twice that at the opening of the century.

Japan lost 2400 officers and enlisted men in the Siberian occupation.

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NOTICE—C. Felz has opened a cash feed store on Paris street. One block East of City Hall. 10P7

PLANT! PLANT! Now is the time! Roses, Flowering Shrubs, Evergreens, Fruit and Shade Trees. Phone 406-W. G. A. Winter who has a number of satisfied customers in Mexia. 408 E. Milam street. 13-5

WANTED—Confinement cases by experienced nurse. Best of reference. Phone 557-J. 18A30

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished apartment for couple, hot and cold water, close in and on pavement. 502 East Main street. 18L3

FOR RENT—Neat cottage, all modern conveniences, good location. Call at 801 East Commerce. Phone 130. 18L3

FOR RENT—To couple, two room and sleeping porch, furnished or unfurnished, with garage. All modern conveniences. Phone 276 or call 802 East Main. 18L

FOR RENT—Modern bungalow, 4 per month. Phone 185 for further information. 18L

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LOST—Old time Roman gold wrist watch. Name and address in back case. Reward. Box X, care News. 18D

Too Late to Classify

LOST—White gold wrist watch, between Opera House and 401 East Palestine street. Neita, engraved on back. Please notify V. L. Blake, phone 21. 18D2

LOST—Very valuable bunch of keys on Groesbeck and Mexia road, between my home on old reunion road and Mexia. Three Studebaker keys, two Yale keys and several others. Valuable reward offered. Please notify David Ross, Route 1, Box 43, Mexia. 18D7

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Canvas Gloves—Wool Hose of a good heavy wt. good weight. regular 20c, now Regular 50c. Now 2 pair 25c 3 pair for \$1.00

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Some very good leather coats in Cordovan leather with flannel lining. Regular \$12.50, now \$8.45

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These shoes come with the price stamped from the factory. Take the discount yourself.



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An extra good boot for heavy duty, yet light in weight, 16 inches high. Now at
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MEXIA, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 1924

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OBREGON'S TROOPS ARE NOT TO ENTER TEXAS

Vancil Is Given Forty Years For Killing Child

Acting Governor Davidson Refuses Obregon's Request

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 18.—Acting Governor Davidson refused the request of President Obregon for permission to move two thousand Mexican troops from Sonora to Eagle Pass across Texas soil. He feared complications on the border.

Governor Davidson said he advised Secretary Hughes that if the national government could strongly show the urgency for the movement and insisted on granting Obregon's request, he might reconsider his decision. He sat in his reply that Texas wanted to co-operate with Obregon, but he feared that sending troops over Texas soil would result in loss of life and property in Texas. He said the sympathies of the people on the border is always divided in Mexican revolutions. Governor Davidson is to receive a delegation from San Antonio this afternoon to discuss the Mexican situation.

American Legion Members Enjoy Tuesday's Meet

Members of Nowlin Post of American Legion were entertained at dinner Thursday evening at Legion Hall by the ladies of the Auxiliary. A bountiful spread was served and if the proof of the pudding lies in the eating it was altogether satisfactory. The social evening which followed grew merrier with the hours until the last to depart were most loath to go, which also is as it should be. The next social meeting of the Post will be the usual Tuesday luncheon at 12:15 January 22nd, at the hall. The ladies hope a full attendance of the membership will gather to show appreciation of their culinary efforts.

THE WEATHER

East Texas—Tonight and Saturday cloudy with local rains; warmer tonight. Colder in northwest Saturday.

West Texas—Tonight and Saturday partly cloudy to cloudy. Snow in north Saturday; warmer tonight in south; colder Saturday. Cold wave in Panhandle.

GREENVILLE, Texas, Jan. 18.—Two infant daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Spencer were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Spencer home near here yesterday, cause of the fire has not been determined.

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 18.—Found guilty of criminal assault on a girl under 18, William Butto was given a five year penalty by a jury in criminal court here yesterday. Butto is alleged to have attacked the girl after he had taken her to a lonely spot near Dallas in an automobile last November. He admitted at the trial he had been intimate with the girl.

MERIDIAN, Miss., Jan. 18.—The next convention of the church wide conference of the Epworth League will be held at Dallas, Texas, it was decided at a conference of officials here yesterday.

An international commission on which seven countries are represented has adopted an American air brake as standard equipment for European railways.

Judge Pierson To Manage Campaign For W. T. Davidson, Now Lieutenant Governor and Aspirant for Governor

Judge Lee P. Pierson has just returned from Dallas where he has been on business connected with the campaign of Lieutenant Governor W.

INTEREST REVIVES IN POWELL AND IN WILDCAT TERRITORY

That part of Powell lying east of Chambers Creek stepped back into the limelight with the recent completion of the Witherspoon Burke No. 10 test. The Gulf Company started a drilling on the Blumrosen tract several days ago. The Barclay and Meadows completion on the K. Wolens tract near the Humble tank farm also creates more interest in the Western part of the field, where the McIntire et al, Whitworth, Smith and Nenney and Langford and Wortham tests are drilling.

AVERAGE COST OF MEXIA DEEP TEST

The total cost for completed well and equipment in the Mexia district, to a depth of 2950 feet, has been estimated at \$27,381.

Mrs. James A. Caldwell of Fort Worth was a visitor to Mexia last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Woolman of Dallas were Thursday visitors to Mexia.

A slide replaces the keys on a saxophone invented by a Chicago man which is claimed to be easier to learn to play than the usual type of instrument.

An Ontario coal company has developed a fuel in the form of coke that will burn freely in ordinary residence heating furnaces or kitchen ranges.

J. C. Looney of Corsicana was in the city last Thursday.

H. W. Dudley of Waco was in the city Thursday.

J. W. Rush was a visitor Thursday to Mexia from Corsicana.

Judge N. T. Stubbs spent Thursday and Friday in Corsicana on legal business.

T. B. Chatham is making some valuable additions to his home on North Bonham Street.

Robert J. Hammond of Austin is a guest of friends in Mexia.

Texas Company Seamer Runs Rebel Blockade

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Jan. 18.—The Texas Company steamer Virginia succeeded in running the rebel blockade of Tampico late yesterday, according to wireless messages received here last night.

At the time the message was received here the rebel bombardment of the town was going on. Lights in the town were extinguished, the message said, to afford the rebel gunboats no target on which to center their attack.

The Virginia was not due to sail from Tampico for Port Arthur until today and it is not known why she made the dangerous attempt during the bombardment.

No New Muscle Shoals Proposal

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 18.—Henry Ford's offer for Muscle Shoals still stands and no new proposal will be made, it was learned today.

Despite the controversy between the automobile manufacturer and Secretary of War Weeks over the sale of the Gorgas power plant Ford's original offer for Muscle Shoals never was withdrawn.

A repetition of the offer is not necessary, therefore and it is not regarded as likely that a new proposal will be made.

Ford, in his conference with President Coolidge last month, is understood to have again expressed his readiness to take over Muscle Shoals.

The sale of one unit—which Ford declared an integral part of the whole Muscle Shoals scheme—is not expected to be a barrier, for it undoubtedly will be replaced if the government accepts the Ford offer.

BIG SCHOONER WRECKED ON FIRE ISLAND.



Above is an exceptionally fine view of the big, four-masted schooner "Terry Setzer," lumber laden, fast ashore on the inner sand bar on Fire Island, 60 miles off the entrance to New York Harbor, with the Coast Guard crew standing by, ready to take off the shipwrecked crew.

Bombardment Of Tampico Ceases

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Jan. 18.—Bombardment of the port of Tampico by Mexican rebel forces ceased last night according to radio messages received here. The last direct message came from the tanker Virginia of the Texas company in which it was stated the vessel had broken through the rebel blockade and that the rebels were continuing the bombardment at 6 p. m.

Later advices said the firing had ceased and that the port was blockaded to all incoming vessels in darkness.

WILDCATS GETTING BUSY AT GROESBECK

GROESBECK, Texas, Jan. 18.—Texas Company has made location and is moving machinery to Stroud No. 4 three miles northwest of town. This is the fourth well drilled by this company on holdings on that portion of the Groesbeck structure, each one after the first in a general southeastern direction, the Stroud 4 being about 1500 feet southeast of the Stroud No. 3.

The Holton No. 1 of the Humphreys-Pure Oil Company has developed a heavy gas pressure at approximately 2900 feet and will be drilled deeper, though marking time while a gas line is being laid from this field to operations in the Mexia field.

Mexia Now Has Strong Home Building And Loan Association Ready To Help Citizens Who Want Homes In Community

More homes are to contribute to a bigger and better Mexia in 1924. A very practical and definite step in this direction was taken Friday morning at the office of Jesse McLendon, when local committeemen and members of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce, acted favorably on a report made by a committee designated to go to Dallas and investigate a proposition made by the State Building and Loan Association. The committee making the investigation was composed of J. Sandford Smith, David Murphy and George Bell. They spent a day recently in Dallas where they met with the executive committee of the association which is capitalized for \$10,000,000. Mr. Bell is local representative of the company here.

Both Mr. Smith and Mr. Murphy were enthusiastic in the matter. They stated that the company was only two years old, but due to its management, its personnel and its connections it gave them an impression of stability, strength, and possibilities of growth, the equal of any such organization in the country. It was pointed out that the organization was practically an adjunct of the American Exchange National Bank, formed for the purpose of encouraging home building. The months since its organization have indicated to the management that it is wise to go into cities and towns outside of Dallas and has already extended the scope of its building and loan activity to such places as Hillsboro, Cleburne and Corsicana and now is ready to enter the Mexia territory, with headquarters for this section and city in Mexia.

The committeemen explained that the company was primarily interested in making loans and in building homes at this time, however, stock is available to any who care to invest in the association.

They also stated that to assure the establishment of the office here and the full benefits of the home building association, the executive committee

urged the appointment of an advisory committee and attorney locally, which pass upon the loans sought before submitting to the Dallas office.

With this protection to the investor and participant, coupled with regular monthly governmental examination of the affairs of the concern, the committee pointed out that it seemed wise to them for Mexia to cooperate in the respects mentioned and thus early in 1924 make it possible for an era of home building to begin in Mexia by which the entire city and community would be benefited.

Mr. Murphy stated: "I am impressed that the State Building and Loan Association is able to take care of all desirable loans."

Mr. Smith concurred in this and upon their report J. K. Hughes offered a motion that the committee's report be accepted, and that co-operation given which was necessary, in order to secure the benefits of the home building association for the good of Mexia. The motion carried unanimously.

The following standing advisory committee was elected by a unanimous vote: J. Sandford Smith, John Sweatt, David Murphy, Phil Karner, J. W. McLendon and V. B. Gardner.

Upon a motion made and carried, it was decided to leave the matter of selecting a local attorney to the committee.

It was also explained that the advisory committee is to serve gratuitously.

During the discussion, Mr. Hughes urged that the citizens of Mexia should also begin to think about how to handle any desirable loans above the limit allowed by the State Building Association. It had been explained that the maximum loan probably would not exceed over 50 or 60 percent. Mr. Hughes was of the opinion that there would be many worthy applicants who would need aid above this amount and he mentioned the local assistance as not only worthy but

needed in order for the greatest good to be derived for the city. His opinion was concurred in by those present. No action was taken in this regard, however, as it was thought best to take the step which was taken now and urge the advisory board to consider some practicable plan along this line to be submitted in due time.

The meeting terminated by many of those present "putting their pocket-books where their mouths were" and took stock, although it was pointed out that that was not at all necessary. Mr. Hughes subscribed \$10,000; J. Sandford Smith, \$5,000, Blake Smith, \$5,000, and the following \$1,000 each: John Sweatt, W. K. Boyd, J. W. McLendon, David Murphy, J. Desenberg and W. K. Boyd, Jr. Thus in a few seconds, \$26,000 was subscribed.

George Bell is local representative of the company and has office headquarters over the Farmers State Bank. The committee explained that the association virtually guarantees ten percent on all investments and those placing money in the company may withdraw it at any time, receiving the interest from the date of the investment. At the same time, it was pointed out that those seeking a loan for a home, it had been found, were willing to pay ten percent, on a long time loan, and that they, in fact, did not expect to secure the needed money for anything less than that.

Those present were greatly cheered over the results of the committee's investigation and because of the action today. It is believed that a long forward-step has been taken, and that many new homes will be started here within the next few days because of this action.

It is explained that the association is ready to make loans now and not any delay will be necessary in getting the machinery for home building started in Mexia.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce. Watch Mexia grow.

TEAPOT DOME IS SAID TO HIDE DISGRACEFUL SCANDALS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The ugliest scandal in years lurks among the hidden facts about the Teapot Dome lease. But how to bring out the facts is puzzling senators who believe the scandal is a "national disgrace," and that the facts should be given to the public. Senator Walsh of Montana will endeavor to break the lease and to get legislation preventing future leasing of naval reserves without specific approval of congress. He declared that President Harding had no authority to transfer the oil reserve to the Interior Department, and that the leasing of Teapot Dome to Sinclair called for the government to erect oil storage tanks which would mean spending money which was unappropriated by congress and therefore illegal.

SEVERAL OFFSETS IN SEMI WILD TERRITORY

The Semi wildcat test of McDonald Brothers on the Brown lease in the Richland section of Navarro county resulted in a number of nearby leases being sold during the early part of the new year when the well made several heads up into the derrick. This well is producing at 2964 feet and is to be drilled deeper to determine the importance of the producing horizon, while in the meantime several offsets are to be drilled.

DRILLING PERMIT GRANTED GULF CO.

Permits have been granted for the following new wells in Navarro County: Gulf Production Company's A. Crews 18, J. O. Harris sur 150 ft. southeast number 1.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate
Not in session.
Hearing on medical diploma mills begins before special sub-committee.
House
Rules fight continues.
Tax hearings continue before ways and means committee.
Agricultural committee continues hearing on farm relief.

E. R. Mount was here from Navarro Thursday.

WORLD TABLOIDS

SHERMAN, Texas, Jan. 18.—"Cap" Carpenter, Frisco engineer, was released under \$3,000 bond following the shooting to death of C. J. Burks, his fireman. The shooting occurred on the locomotive just before the train left. Carpenter waived examining trial. He made no statement.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 18.—Federal forces won a complete victory over rebels between Esperanza and Tehuacan, the war office announced. The rebels lost two hundred killed and wounded. Advices from Tampico said the port is blockaded and traffic suspended.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 18.—Ruben Viscarra, former president of the Mexican Chamber of Deputies and present leader of revolution forces in the United States, and Torebio Villasenor, former governor of Guanajuato, were arrested on charges of violating the neutrality laws.

PEKIN, Jan. 18.—Citing six attacks upon American missionaries in China within the last sixty days, American Minister Schurman intimated that if the Pekin government cannot protect the rights of foreigners, the powers involved will be obliged to take action. He insisted that the United States' attitude is friendly but that China must recognize and fulfill treaty obligations to protect American lives and property.

Jury Returns Verdict At Midnight

FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 18.—Ralph Vancil, charged with murder in connection with the death of his eight day old baby, was assessed a forty year prison sentence by a jury in criminal court here shortly before midnight last night. The jury was out an hour and a half before the verdict was returned.

The death penalty had been asked for Vancil by the district attorney's office. The defendant did not enter a plea for suspended sentence in case of a manslaughter verdict, but asked for acquittal.

Vancil was arrested last November while burning a bundle of baby's clothes on a highway near Fort Worth. After his arrest, he led officers to the spot where he had buried his baby which he said had died while lying in the seat of his automobile. The state attempted to show the baby had been murdered.

Vancil denied killing the child and said he buried it to save his 19 year old bride, whom he married a few weeks before the birth of the baby, from disgrace.

Independent Oil Buyers Help In Raising Prices

The placing of the Mexia district, including Mexia, Currie, Richland, and Powell, on a gravity basis and on a plane of equality with other fields in the southwest, is believed to be due, in no small way, to the competition from independent crude buyers. Two advances have been made this year, the posted price now being \$1.40 per barrel for 36 to 38.5 gravity petroleum. These independent buyers have been freely offering from 5 to 10 cents per barrel premium in the Powell area and lately invaded the Mexia Golden Lane and Fishpond district. A number of contracts were made as a result of negotiations. It is learned that Garland Kent contracted to sell 200,000 barrels to an independent refiner on the coast.

In the south of France the production of lavender oil is a peasant industry.

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McADOO'LL DO!

From 1789 to 1800 our presidential candidates were selected by common consent. From 1800 to 1880 candidates were chosen by congressional caucus. With the exception of a brief four-year period during the first thirty-six years of the Republic Presidents were chosen from old Virginia families, and presidential electors were generally selected by the various state legislatures.

In the early part of 1823 a group of Tennessee pioneers assembled in mass meeting at Maryland, Blount County, Tenn. At that mass meeting resolutions were adopted condemning property qualifications for voters, asserting that it was the right and prerogative of American citizens to nominate presidential candidates and that the selection of presidential electors should be taken away from the state legislatures and placed in the hands of the people. This mass meeting nominated Andrew (Old Hickory) Jackson for the presidency.

By 1828, as an outgrowth of the Blount County mass meeting, nearly all of the states selected their presidential electors by vote of the people and that year Andrew Jackson was elected President of the United States. From the time of the Blount County mass meeting dates the growth of active participation of the people in nominating candidates for the presidency.

As years have come and gone the people have become more generally informed and have increasingly asserted their prerogatives until today we have the party primary system and in many states the presidential preference primary. The sentiment in favor of personal expression became so general and pronounced that the federal constitution was amended and we now are electing United States Senators by direct vote of the people.

Our Government is not only a government of and for the people, but is, and of right should be, a government by the people. Granting that the people have the right to choose their officials from the humblest to the highest, then we submit that in order to effectively express their will it becomes necessary that they begin at the precinct primary where they have immediate power in the selection of delegates and instruct their representatives to the county convention, likewise to the state convention, and there, in harmony with previous action, the state delegates to the national convention should be instructed, otherwise there can be no certain expression of the voter who is not personally present at the several conventions necessary in the machinery of a presidential nomination.

Cato Sells says, there have been a few people in our country who hold to the Tory belief that the people are not capable of self government, or sufficiently intelligent to participate in the selection of candidates for the office of President. I have full faith in the patriotism and intelligence of the people and am willing to abide their decision. No group of men, unwilling to trust the people in the selection of presidential candidates, is worthy of their trust and confidence. I prefer to risk the judgment of the people. Unquestionably it is the right of the people to nominate their candidates for office and in order to make their will effective it is imperatively necessary for them to begin with their first opportunity—the precinct primary—and thus insure like procedure all the way through to the national convention.

There is no certainty of dependable expression of the people will other than through instructions emanating from the people and consistently followed up. The people's judgment is apt to be unbiased, patriotic and uninfluenced by the desire of personal preferment; they are usually moved by the highest impulses.

An uninstructed delegation means nothing more to the folks at home than the surrender of their rights to be used by others as may best serve their own purpose. Often uninstructed delegations become trading stock and frequently, so far as the people are concerned, contradictory of their wish and will.

The Texas delegation to the Baltimore Convention was the direct result of instructions beginning with the precinct primary—the very essence of Democratic institutions. Let's do it again. This time for the Democratic Secretary of the Treasury. We will make a great President. We can win with McAdoo.

McAdoo'll do.

Pulling Main St. Out of the Mud

Uncle Sam among various other activities has assumed the role of a gigantic road-builder, and is helping the States build a vast network of 185,000 miles of good roads that will tie together all county-seats in the United States.

The term "good roads" is one of the least-understood, and likewise one of the most-misunderstood, terms in the American vocabulary. Multitudes of benighted residents of large cities still think of good roads merely as smooth and sporty stretches where one can step on the throttle and see what the old car can really do. Farmers of course know better. But vague and foggy remains the general conception of the subject.

Few realize that good roads are as essential a part of manufacture as loaves and benches and manual labor itself, for without the prompt and proper distribution of a product manufacture is an empty gesture. And every pin or thread or button that is manufactured has to rely sooner or later upon good roads to complete its journey to the consumer.

The motor industry realized that the sale of its rolling stock was directly dependent upon the right kind road surface over which to roll, and eight years ago a group of automobile men and others got together and organized voluntary groups of citizens to promote the biggest road-building project in history, 3,305 miles of continuous improved motor road from New York to San Francisco, known as the Lincoln Highway. More than

\$11,000,000 has been spent to date in actual construction work on the Lincoln Highway. The gaps that still remain are rapidly being closed up, and the big trail will probably receive its finishing touches long before the end of the twenty years originally figured as necessary.

Previous to 1919 Federal appropriations for road-building were so small that the States to which Federal aid was offered hardly knew whether to take it or leave it. Today Federal aid to States for road-building amounts to \$75,000,000 for the past year, and has given employment to vast numbers of men.

The United States Bureau of Public Roads, working in co-operation with the various State highway departments, is supervising road work in every State in the Union, and on the first of last April this involved the construction of \$233,600,000 worth of road projects, representing almost fourteen thousand miles of all kinds of roads. The Government's share of this was approximately \$100,000,000. Moreover, in addition to the work actually under construction there had on that date been completed \$275,000,000 worth of roads, representing work in all the States, a total of 15,688 miles, to which the Government had contributed \$118,000,000.

A few years back Iowa State College didn't have the heart to tell Iowa taxpayers that it would cost \$5,000 a mile to build a good road. Yet today the Federal aid program averages nearly \$18,000 a mile of good road, and no one is Congress or out of Congress is kicking. So completely is the Federal Bureau run that only two and one-half per cent of Federal aid appropriations go for administration. All the

rest goes into actual roads.

The Cumberland Pike, started by the Government in 1806, was the first comprehensive Federal road-building project. Its object was to provide a first-class highway to carry traffic through the Cumberland Mountains westward. But with the big railway-building impulse of 1840 the Government directed its aid to railways, and wagon-roads became purely local projects. Even State aid was withheld from road-building until New Jersey in 1891 appropriated State funds to aid counties.

Even the ambitious servants of Uncle Sam who heaved the Cumberland Pike through the mountains would have been dumfounded had they been able to look more than a century into the future and catch a glimpse of what the Bureau of Public Roads in co-operation with State highway departments is accomplishing in road-building. The job is a gigantic one. It is driving across the face of the earth a vast network of roads that will join at State boundaries; and ultimately provide continuous main arteries of good roads that will connect all of the county-seats in the United States without a single break. It is estimated that it will cost nearly three billion dollars to complete it.

Seventy per cent of the mileage of roads built by the Government consists of graded and drained sand-clay, gravel, and macadam roads. This means pioneer work, building roads where there are no roads. The hardest operating-conditions are found in the Mississippi Valley. This is the worst region in the country for effective road-building, and is likewise the region that most needs good roads. The climatic conditions in combination with the clay, gumbo, and black, waxy soils hamper road-building; and this is the soil that holds water so long that ordinary roads become impassable during the rainy seasons.

While it will require at least 185,000 miles of primary roads to give the country the required network of continuous and interconnecting highways contemplated by the present Federal-aid program, that mileage represents only seven per cent of the total roads of the country.

There is no competition between highways and the railways. The railways as freight-movers are essentially long-haul carriers of such commodities as grain, live stock, and coal, while motor-trucks cannot hope to figure in the long-haul movements of these products, but are primarily useful in the local gathering and distribution of dairy products, vegetables, fruits, and manufactured merchandise, and in the relief of rail congestion at the terminals. New York department stores have made elaborate tests in which they have found that it is cheaper and more satisfactory to ship by trucks than by railways where the distance is under forty miles.

In reply to critics who claim that truck traffic does undue damage to good roads, it is pointed out by experts that if trucks are properly built, loaded, and operated, they do not menace the roads. Some truck manufacturers are at fault in concentrating too much of the weight over the rear wheels, so that many trucks carry sixty-five to seventy per cent, and some as high as ninety per cent, of their weight over the rear wheels. This is a mistake. The weight should be more evenly distributed. Trucks overloaded by operators are also bad for roads; a recent investigation in Connecticut shows seventy-five per cent of all trucks overloaded. Worn tires inflict undue shocks to roads, while pneumatic tires are tremendous road-savers.

OPPOSITION TO THE HIGHWAY ACT.

Dallas Morning News
The Dallas Commission expresses the opinion, in a statement printed Tuesday, that there is no public sentiment behind the suits which have been begun to break the law which that body administers. Those suits, it declares, are the enterprises of the officials in the counties in which they have been instituted. Others must have held something like the same suspicion. Certainly there has been no evidence to indicate that the officials instituting those suits were acting under the impulse of their constituents. They seem to be acting on their own motion and at their own behest. One will find reason to support that suspicion in the statement of the Highway Commission that several of the counties in which these suits have been brought will get more out of the maintenance fund than they will put into it from levying the license charge. As to one of these counties, it is stated that it will contribute \$18,000 in license fees and get \$20,400 from the maintenance fund. The citizens of a county have no reason for being hostile to a law which gives them more money than it takes from them. But officials have a motive for being hostile to a law which takes from them the expenditure of the money derived under it. In those counties it is not the tax-paying citizens, but the tax-spending citizens, who are bereaved by this statute, a circumstance which gives plausibility to the statement of the Highway Commission that the dislike of this law manifested in these suits is confined mostly to the court-houses of those counties.

This highway statute is a popular law, whether it is a constitutional one or not. It gets its popularity from the fact that it promises a much more efficient and economical maintenance of our improved highways than they have received in the past.

INDIANA STANDARD OIL ENDORSES MELLON TAX PLAN

Among the recent indorsements given to the Mellon plan for tax reduction by some of its prospective beneficiaries is that of R. W. Stewart, chairman of the board of directors of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana. Mr. Stewart visited President Coolidge at the White House a few days ago to "report on industrial and political conditions in Central West," according to his statement to the correspondents.

Other subjects of his conference with the President, Mr. Stewart refused to discuss, but he was willing to be quoted as having "strongly endorsed" the Mellon proposal. As Secretary Mellon favors decreases of from \$10,284 to \$1,239,000 on incomes of \$100,000 to \$5,000,000, Mr. Stewart's enthusiasm for the scheme was understood by the correspondents.

NEWSBOY KING

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 16.—The "King of Newsboys"—Jack Lloyd—paid Houston a visit recently.

Lloyd whose temples are slightly gray and who gives his age as 49, won the title of "Newsboys King" when he sold 124,000 papers in 21 hours at Buffalo when President McKinley was assassinated. He had a crew to help him but he personally sold 12,000.

The high spots of Lloyd's career are:

Began selling papers on the streets of New York at the age of 8.

Only American newsboy in Johannesburg, South Africa, during the 1901 diamond rush.

Made record sales during the San Francisco earthquake.

Veteran of two wars—Spanish-American and World War.

Was in France and was wounded twice.

"I'm never going to grow old" Lloyd said. "Work with the kids and you'll stay young."

J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home will be open to the public soon, watch for opening date. News Publishing Company.

This is tax paying time and many of our citizens and country friends are seen daily taking passage to Groesbeck for this purpose.

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Rev. J. L. Higginbotham of Teahuacana was in the city Friday and says that he has decided to enter the race for tax assessor after being solicited by a number of friends throughout the county. He will soon make his formal announcement and get into the race actively.

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Ice cream was introduced into France about 1550.

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CITIZENSHIP

Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

The cost of bad roads as compared with that of good roads considered from a financial and economic and social standpoint is indeed much higher than any good road ever cost a state. Good roads make better citizens and bigger values. Bad roads interfere with the making of citizens. They curtail school attendance, church attendance, tend to isolate, hamper the distribution of mail, and interfere with social intercourse between the advantages of Heaven, according to Milton, is a "broad and ample road." Bad roads cost in many ways; loss of time, vehicles broken, produce ruined and lead surely to retrogression and decay.

Judge Owen F. Watkins was in Groesbeck Friday on professional business.

J. A. Leftwich was here from Waco Thursday.

J. W. Polly of Waco was here Thursday.

J. V. Hankla was here Thursday from Austin.

J. V. Haney was a Thursday visitor to Mexia from Waco.

L. M. Cheek of Waco was in Mexia Thursday.

R. D. Able of Waco was in the city last Thursday.

H. R. Crouch was here from Waco Friday.

G. C. Calhoun was here from Corsicana Friday.

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Latest News From The Oil Fields

Concerning the Powell area of the Mexia oil producing district The Oil Weekly says:

The big flush production obtained during the eleven months that followed the discovery of the Powell field in Navarro county section of East Central Texas in January, 1923, proved to be one of the most spectacular events in the history of the oil industry in the United States, and materially fortified Texas' position as an oil producing state. The development of this field over-shadowed all other operations and discoveries made in Texas during the year 1923, although a number of important producing areas were uncovered. It was also a contributing factor in bringing on a spell of overproduction of crude and comparatively low prices in the Mid-Continent fields.

A concern known as the Corsicana Deep Well Company is responsible for the discovery of the Powell field after experiencing more than two years of hardships, during which time its first two tests were junked and abandoned before reaching the producing horizon. The discovery well is located on the J. O. Burke farm, and started flowing by heads at the rate of about 350 barrels daily January 7, 1923, from the Woodbine sand at 2950 to 2960 feet. The drilling campaign that followed the completion of this well later developed that the discovery well was situated in the extreme northeast end of the woodbine structure, and that the trend of production extended in a straight line to the southwest. Completion of the Hughes Development Company's McKie 1, located two and one-half miles southwest of the discovery well, on May 9, flowing about 6,000 barrels daily, furnished the first big production for the field, and literally started the ball to rolling from a standpoint of lease buying and drilling campaigns. This well caught fire on May 10 and burned to death 13 field workmen and members of the drilling crew.

The large initial production and extension given the Powell field by the McKie well was soon followed by a series of extensions further southwest, and by the middle of July the development of the field was under way on a large scale, with daily production soaring rapidly. Drilling activity in the field reached its peak during the week ended September 1, with a total of 233 operations, but the field did not establish its record breaking mark in actual daily production until the middle of November when slightly more than 350,000 barrels of oil was produced and handled by the various pipe lines, nearby tank farms and tank car loading racks serving the field. Considerable production was shut in for lack of pipe line and storage facilities when this high mark was set. About the time the output of the field reached its peak, the trend of production to the southwest was virtually defined, giving the field a length of seven and one-tenth miles in an uninterrupted line proven for production, with the widest point being about 3800 feet, and averaging less than 2500 feet in width.

The most prolific area in the Powell field was found in the southwest end on the Crews, Phillips, Flemming, Cerf, Davis, Kellum and Kent leases, with initial production ranging as high as 20,000 barrels daily, and it was the exhaustion of the flush production from these leases after a normal life of 30 days per well that caused the field to make its spectacular slump during the last two weeks in November and early part of December. The field finished the year with a daily average of approximately 73,000 barrels, while less than two months previous it was commanding the attention of the petroleum world with a daily output of 250,000 barrels. About 550 producing wells were completed in the Powell field during 1923. Besides establishing a high record for actual daily production, the Powell field broke all previous records for the

entire country on daily production for one concern in one field when the Humble Oil & Refining Company registered an actual output of 120,046 barrels of oil during 24 hour period ended November 13, and 116,465 barrels on the following days. At the close of December the Humble's actual production was down to 25,000 barrels daily. The field afforded the quickest turnover on money expended for drilling than any major oil producing area in the country, and new records were set in making fast drilling time. Operators avoided the heretofore, usual 10-day shutdown for cemented casing to set before drilling in by universal use of chemical quick setting compounds that gave satisfactory results within 72 hours, thereby speeding up the completion of wells by seven days.

At the close of 1923 the Powell field's producing structure appeared to have been defined, and virtually all locations had been drilled or occupied by a rig, while late completions are confined mostly to pumping wells. The series of shallow oil and gas sands ranging from 500 to 1800 feet in depth offer some possibilities for continued drilling during 1924, but this development will be of only minor importance from a production standpoint. The possibilities of a deeper producing horizon on the Powell structure is yet to be determined.

The big flush production and quick turnover of the money invested in the Powell field has caused the major companies as well as independent concerns and individuals to seek other fields of this type and from the same producing formation, and preparations were being made towards the close of 1923 to launch a big wildcat campaign in the fault zone extending northeast of the Powell field and up into Hopkins county.

Exports From Mexico Show Big Increase

TAMPICO, Mexico, Jan. 18.—Last month 18 shipping companies exported 13,562,865 barrels of petroleum and its products as compared with shipments of 12,054,235 barrels by the same companies in the preceding month of November, being an increase for December over November of 1,

508,630 barrels.

For the first time in more than a year the Huasteca Petroleum company lost its position as the leading oil shipper from the republic of Mexico. In December it was surpassed by the Transcontinental Oil company which shipped 2,825,136 barrels as compared with shipments of 2,416,238 barrels by the Huasteca, a difference of 346,897 barrels.

The Mexican Sinclair (Freeport) and Mexican Fuel Oil corporation is getting up toward the 2,000,000 barrel a month mark, its shipments in December totaling 1,791,983 barrels, and was an increase over its November exports of 344,998 barrels.

The Transcontinental company likewise showed a big increase last month over its November shipments, the increase being 524,300 barrels.

The Huasteca company showed a slight decrease, 7510 barrels, while the Corona company decreased its shipments by 157,628 barrels. The East Coast Oil company increased its exports by 144,200 barrels, while the Texas Company of Mexico's exports fell off 155,818 barrels.

No report was received from the Pierce Oil company up to the hour of sending this news item, but in November the Pierce shipped 86,990 barrels.

Following is a list of the shipping companies and their exports for last month and the preceding month of November:

Transcontinental	2,825,136	2,416,238
Huasteca	2,416,238	2,825,136
Mex-Sinclair	1,791,983	1,543,828
Corona	1,543,828	1,434,374
Agulla	1,434,374	739,384
Mexican Gulf	739,384	654,287
Texas	654,287	629,811
East Coast	629,811	389,417
International	389,417	324,262
Imperio	324,262	288,625
New England	288,625	138,908
Island	138,908	113,896
Chadwick & Co.	113,896	63,678
Panuco Boston	63,678	84,579
Agwi	84,579	50,630
Interocean	50,630	27,810
Mexican Atlas	27,810	

Total 13,562,865

November Oil Exports

Huasteca	2,468,757
Mexican Gulf	669,559
Agulla	1,003,861
Corona	1,702,456
Freeport	1,446,985
East Coast	465,611
Chadwick & Co.	135,880
Texas	800,104
New England	274,675

Agwi	157,280
International	135,202
Panuco Boston	65,919
U. S. Tex	27,784
Empire	228,886
Interocean	62,651
Pierce	86,990
Transcontinental	2,301,835
Total	12,054,235

Auto Safety Factor Is Ninety Per Cent

D. M. Mason Shows How Automobile Losses and Accidents Can Be Greatly Reduced.

Lack of Attention to Brakes and Tires Causes Most of the Accidents Reported.

The present "safety factor" for automobiles is 90 per cent, at least in Pennsylvania, according to W. W. Matthews, Chief Inspector of the Highway Department of that state. Out of every 100 automobiles registered in Pennsylvania during the year, one is burned, two are stolen, three are damaged on the road, and four are wrecked in collisions—making a total of 10 casualties out of each 100.

How to Reduce Fire and Theft. These figures, according to D. M. Mason, General Manager of The Mason Tire & Rubber Co., disclose plenty of reason for a "safety first" movement in the equipment, care and operation of automobiles. A small, chemical fire-extinguisher, carried on the car, will reduce the fire hazard. Locks for transmissions, steering wheels and closed-car doors, will reduce the number of cars stolen. So will legislation like the new Pennsylvania law, effective Nov. 25, 1923, requiring a certificate of title to prove automobile ownership. Drivers' licenses, as required by several states, says Mr. Mason, will also help.

But the great majority of accidents—7 out of 10, or 70 per cent—are due to road trouble and collisions. For the most part, says Mr. Mason, these can be avoided.

Mr. Mason believes greatly in proper care and equipment. Brakes should be reined when advisable, and always kept in proper adjustment. Brakes, however, are utterly useless if the tries do not grip the road surface. The new Mason "Safety First" tire, with 207 specially designed "safety grips" that really hold, will resist skidding or slipping to an amazing degree even on the most slippery asphalt. And the 138 heavy rubber sidewall buttresses on the Mason "Safety First" tire are unusually effective when driving on car tracks in the city, and protect the tire against curbstone abrasion and in the deep ruts of country roads.

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While on a visit in Little Rock with her mother, Mrs. F. D. Bolton and her sister, Mrs. S. C. Wood, Mrs. Frank Bolton of this city was the recipient of many favors. She was honor guest at quite a number of social gatherings, where she was delighted with renewing friendships formed during her residence there. Mrs. Bolton spent the holiday season there.

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Passenger And Freight Agents Meet San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 18.—Railroad men representing 30 lines of the United States gathered here today for the annual convention of the Passenger, Ticket and Freight Agents' Association of Texas which opens tomorrow.

More than 500 of the 673 members of the Association were expected to be on hand when the meeting is called to order by Elbert Blair, southwest-ern freight agent of the Chicago and Alton Railroad, president of the Association.

Special cars brought the men to San Antonio. A side trip to Monterrey, Mexico will be one of the features of the gathering provided the revolution in Mexico does not make the excursion dangerous.

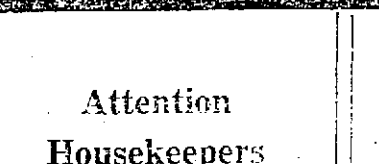
The convention program includes: Invocation by Reverend Hugh McClellan; welcoming address by Mayor John Tobin; response by Elbert Blair. Other speakers will address the convention and questions of interest to the delegates will be discussed.

A reunion of the organizers of the Association who met first in San Antonio 18 years ago, will be one of the features of the program. There were 13 original members of which three are dead and two have retired. The first convention met January 6, 1906.

RICH STATE CARRIAGES TO BE REBUILT BY JAPS

(By International News Service) TOKIO, Jan. 17.—State carriages for the imperial family, valued at approximately 3,000,000 yen (\$1,500,000) must be replaced, as a result of the destruction in the September earthquake of vehicles there. Handsomely decorated coaches, among them the coach built for the Prince Regent and his bride to ride in directly following their marriage ceremony, and the one the present Emperor rode in to his coronation ceremony in 1915, were demolished when the stables in the imperial Palace compound fell in the earthquake of September 1, 1923.

In all eighty carriages in the Imperial Palace compounds were destroyed, as were thirteen at the Akasaka Detached Palace.



Studying hard? Boys and girls need SCOTT'S EMULSION

No Such Man In The Windy City

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 18.—Most unusual of all letters that have passed through the Dallas postoffice was one received recently. It was addressed to "Mr. Jesus Christ, Chicago, Ill."

Investigating postal authorities found that a "Holiness Worshiper," living in a small community near Dallas, had mailed the letter.

For some weeks the man's daughter had been seriously ill. Steadily he had prayed for recovery but in vain. When his daughter fared no better he wrote the letter, setting forth his circumstances. He could give no reason for the Chicago address.

BLAZE THE TRAIL IN "WAY OF A MAN"

One of the most impressive scenes in the ten-episode Pathe serial, "The Way of a Man," from the widely-read novel by Emerson Hough, famous author of period stories, is a great train of covered wagons, slowly winding down a steep winding road, known as the Oregon and Santa Fe trails.

This serial, directed by George B. Seitz, is said to be a triumph in chapter-play production. It presents in the leading roles two splendid artists, new to serials—Allene Ray, a young lady of much beauty and athletic prowess, and Harold Miller, handsome, manly and fearless. Other

HOW PEPSINATED CALOMEL RELIEVES THE BACKACHE

Tests with Pepsinated Calomel, the new English Calomel treatment, have shown that it is one of the most powerful stimulants to the kidneys which we possess. While not intended primarily for the treatment of kidney diseases, yet it exerts a powerful influence upon these organs and promptly relieves backache due to the kidneys, by stimulating both the liver and kidneys, thus aiding them in removing the waste matter that is causing trouble. If your back aches most of the time, or if you are troubled with constipation or biliousness, try Pepsinated Calomel on the positive guarantee that you will be relieved or your money returned.

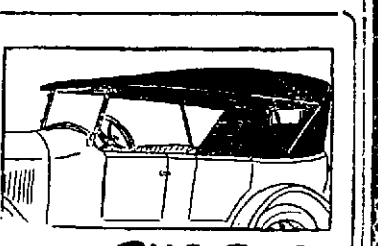
Bennett's Drug Store and all reliable druggists recommend and guarantee Pepsinated Calomel to bring relief between sundown and sunup or your money refunded. Try it—we guarantee you'll feel better tomorrow. (Adv.)

ers in the cast are Red Osborne, once a cowboy, now a finished actor; Whitehorse, raised by the Indians; Chet Ryan, Kathryn Appleton, Florence Lee and Lillian Gale and a large order of genuine Indians. "The Way of a Man" will be the attraction at the Palace Theatre.

ROSS HARLAN ROUTH OF DALLAS TO SPEAK AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Ross Harlan Routh of Dallas will speak at the First Baptist Church Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Mr. Routh is an Eagle Scout and also Captain of the Students Military Organization at Oak Cliff High School, Dallas, and has won many honors in Scout movements, acting with his troop as policeman for the city of Dallas during strategic times. He comes to us very highly recommended by Scout authorities and will give the best of information to all boys desiring to become Scouts in this city. All candidates for the Tenderfoot Badge including boys ages 12 to 18 years inclusive, and all former Scouts are especially urged to be present.

Paul B. Harper.



THE TOP IS Important

WILL IT WITHSTAND WINTER WINDS AND RAIN?

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Missionaries Go Back To Africa

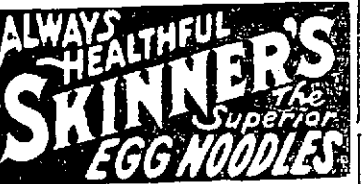
AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 18.—Reverend and Mrs. W. F. McElroy and Edgar C. Priest were expected to leave here today for S. John's New Brunswick where they will sail with six other Presbyterian Missionaries for Africa on January 30.

The missionaries will sail on the steamship Minnesota to resume their duties in the missionary field on the dark continent.

Priest spent the holidays with friends and relatives in Rusk and Austin. He goes to Africa as business utility agent and will be stationed at Bibangu Kabinda, under contract for three years.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Approximately 12,000 former Vitek stockholders were mailed cash dividend checks today by the Southern States Oil corporation and Western States Oil corporation, 350 Madison avenue, New York. Southern States and Western States pay 1 per cent monthly. Vitek stockholders are paid quarterly. No dividend checks for less than \$1 are forwarded. This is the second cash dividend to former Vitek stockholders.

Vitek turned over 26 completed oil wells to the Southern and Western on



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May 25, 1923. Three additional wells have been drilled on the former Vitek leases by the Southern and Western. The Vitek wells on the Fincher, Stringfellow, Gramer, McClonahan, goes up.

Allen, School House and Murphy leases are producing approximately 1500 barrels daily. Many of the wells are shut down until the price of oil goes up.

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Attention Farmers

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All Kinds of Guns and Ammunition.

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Letters from People

BOY SCOUTS

Mexico, Texas, Jan. 18, 1924

Mr. A. Garland Adair,
Editor, News Publishing Co.,
Mexico, Texas.

Dear Mr. Adair:

We would thank you to kindly give publicity through your paper today, the meeting of Boy Scouts that will take place tonight at the Baptist church. A number of citizens have been invited to be present, and we especially invite all ministers of the different churches to be at this meeting.

That the boys may more thoroughly understand about this meeting, all are urged to be present tonight at 7:00 o'clock between the ages of 12 and 18 years, and those who were not able to attend the meeting a week ago, are also requested to be on hand.

That the citizens and boys may more thoroughly understand this movement, the object of the meeting is strictly unselfish, and is positively not a denominational affair, but is "All for Mexia" and the Boy Scouts of Mexia.

After the Organization has been perfected, the different churches will be expected to get behind the proposition, and if they so desire, organize their boys into a separate troop.

Mr. Routh of Dallas will arrive at 7:00 o'clock today, and will speak to the boys tonight at 7:00 o'clock, instructing them in the Scout movement.

Mr. Routh is an Eagle Scout, and has won special distinction in the Scout movement, and we are very fortunate indeed in getting this young man here for the occasion and it is hoped that every minister in Mexia will urge that all boys be present at this meeting that they might be first-hand instructed as to the benefits to be derived from such a movement.

Thanking you for any publicity that you may see fit to give other than this letter, and your editorial a few days ago, we are,

Yours very truly,
Paul B. Harper,
J. P. Dunaway.

Narcotic Agents
Locate in Houston

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 18.—Houston soon is to be the scene of one of the most drastic clean up "dope" raids in the history of the state.

J. E. Wells and J. H. Fleming, recently appointed narcotic agents for Houston, have established headquarters here and are laying plans for the campaign.

Every establishment under suspicion of selling narcotics illegally will be investigated and their owner charged with violating narcotic laws if found to be trafficking in "dope."

The attack will center on dope smugglers, it was learned. The federal agents plan to close every avenue of dope smuggling into Houston from the ship channel, Galveston and the Mexican border.

Australian builders have developed an automobile with the engine midway between the front and rear wheels, chain drive to the rear axle and a ply wood body.

The bearings in a new motor driven pump for cutting lubricants are protected from contact with the oils, which frequently carry abrasive particles with them.

Schedule Made
For Movement by
Presbyterians

Schedules have been arranged for the city section in the Texas Presbyterian educational movement, with plans to close the statewide campaign for \$1,350,000 by July 1. There are 10 large campaigns in cities where the Presbyterian population warrants more time than in the smaller centers. These dates will be submitted to the local church leaders by the State executive committee and arrangements made to open at once.

Brownwood will open late in January and close February 25. Beaumont Feb. 2, March 9; El Paso, Feb. 6, March 8; Austin, Feb. 5, March 10; Galveston, Feb. 20, March 20; San Antonio, March 23, April 27; Dallas, March 24, May 4; Fort Worth, March 25, May 20; Waco, April 12, May 15; Sherman, April 12, May 12.

The schedule for the smaller city campaigns are as follows: Beeville, Jan. 25, Feb. 20; Corpus Christi, Feb. 1, Feb. 27; McAllen, Feb. 1, Feb. 20; San Angelo, Feb. 22, March 14; Vernon, March 1, March 20; Cleburne, March 22, April 9; Victoria, March 22, April 8; Taylor, April 3, April 23; Cameron, April 12, April 30; Mineral Wells, April 12, April 30; Orange, May 1, May 20; Marshall, May 1, May 20; Texarkana, May 2, May 21; McKinney, May 29, June 18; Abilene, May 29, June 18; Kingsville, May 30, June 20; Cuero, May 30, June 20; Longview, May 31, June 22; Cisco, May 31, June 22; Greenville, June 1, June 25.

DRINK WATER IF
KIDNEYS BOTHER

Flush your kidneys by drinking a quart of water each day, also take salts occasionally, says a noted authority, who tells us that too much rich food forms acids which almost paralyze the kidneys in their efforts to expel it from the blood. They become sluggish and weaken; then you may suffer with a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine gets cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get sore and irritated, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night.

To help neutralize these irritating acids; to help cleanse the kidneys and flush off the body's urinous waste, get four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy here. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days, and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in the system so they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year. —(Adv.)

The type in a new device that prints advertisements on wrapping paper as it is unrolled from reels can be changed whenever desired by the person using it.

Sulphur Is Best
To Clear Up Ugly
Broken Out Skin

Any breaking out or skin irritation on face, neck or body is overcome quickest by applying Mentho-Sulphur, says a noted skin specialist. Because of its germ destroying properties, nothing has ever been found to take the place of this sulphur preparation that instantly brings ease from the itching, burning and irritation.

Mentho-Sulphur heals eczema right up, leaving the skin clear and smooth. It seldom fails to relieve the torment or disfigurement. A little jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur may be obtained at any drug store. It is used like a cream.—(Adv.)

Are You Fat?
Just Try This!

Thousands of overfat people have become slim by following the advice of doctors who recommended Marmola Prescription Tablets, those harmless little fat reducers that simplify the dose of the famous Marmola Prescription. If too fat, do not wait—go now to your druggist and for one dollar, which is the price the world over, procure a box of these tablets. If preferable you can secure them direct by sending price to the Marmola Co., 1612 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich. They reduce steadily and easily without tire some exercise or starvation diet and leave no unpleasant effect.—(Adv.)

NOTICE
Springfield Lodge No. 74
A. F. and A. M.
Colon Phillips, W. M.
Called meeting tonight for work examinations. Visitors always welcome.

CAPTAIN LAING
LOOKS FOR A
HOME FOR
CHILDREN

Captain Laing of the Salvation Army reports that he and Mrs. Laing now have three little children and their mother in the Salvation Army home here, where they are providing for them temporarily until arrangements can be made to take care of them permanently. The little family has a heart breaking story of the unfaithfulness of the father, coming here recently from West Texas. The oldest child is about 8 years, the next is three and the baby is about 8 months. They lived in the cotton fields near Ranger, it seems, where the mother and the eldest child picked cotton until the crop was gathered. Then they came to Mexia, going to the Salvation Army the next day after arrival where they have been cared for since. Captain and Mrs. Laing introduced the children to a bath tub and in a few days they have blossomed out into clean, respectful little fellows, while the baby, they declare, to be as handsome as any baby boy they have ever provided a home for. The mother is about 24 years of age. Captain Laing states that he is anxious to find someone to adopt the children, if possible, and if a home cannot be secured for all of them, at least for the baby. In case, no homes can be found, they will likely be sent to the Salvation Army orphanage. However, the captain states that he will do that only after the last effort to place them elsewhere has failed. He has discussed the matter with local attorneys as well as the mother, and legal adoption may be secured by those who care to take them into their homes. He states that he has had several calls for babies in recent months but never before has he had need for such offers.

FORTH POST OAK

FIELD WELL IN

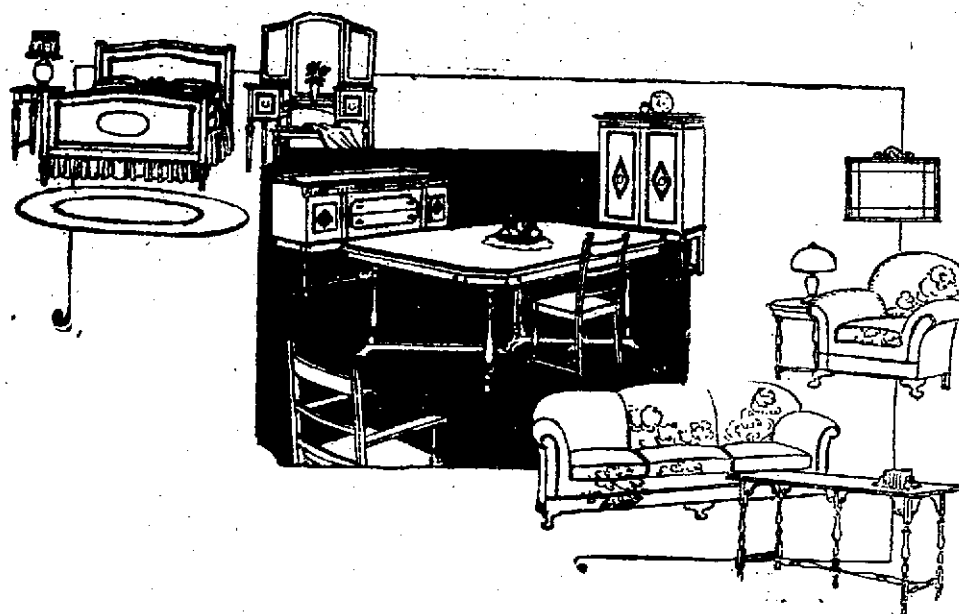
MARLIN, Texas, Jan. 18.—The Falvey No. 2 test on the Chance lease, the Post oak field, with a total production of 400 feet from the Falvey No. 1 on the Randolph tract, was brought in at

midnight Wednesday at 1,080 feet with an estimated flow of 200 or more barrels.

This makes the fourth producer in the Post oak field, with a total production around 1,000 barrels per day. The Vise test on the Thomas lease is

expected in within the next few days. With a pipe line completed and loading racks erected to take care of production, little loss from waste is expected in the field.

Pay your poll tax.



To The People of Mexia:-

We end our fiscal year January 31, and from now until that date we are going to make a general reduction over our entire line. While we are not going to the expense of advertising and running a sale we are going to give this to our customers in prices.

We have quite a few odd pieces and close out numbers which will be offered at ridiculously low prices and we will guarantee that it will be to your advantage to get our prices before you buy. Perhaps we have the piece to fill in that vacant place and at a price less than half.

This does not mean that we are offering just a few articles in our store at bargain prices but everything in the store carries a substantial reduction. WE ARE GOING TO REDUCE OUR STOCK BEFORE FEBRUARY FIRST. All we ask is that you come in and see our stock, compare our prices and quality and we will have no difficulty in selling you.

We are always glad to serve you. Your interests are our interests.

John R. Corley Company

Furniture and Undertaking

Phones 9, 85 and 25

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R. W. SACKER presents

THE DIAMOND REVUE

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How Long Will You Keep Them Waiting

Don't put off until tomorrow the ad that will rent your rooms, cottages or apartments today. It is not profitable. A Classified Ad in The News will keep the renting public informed that you have an apartment for rent, or a room or a house.

It makes little difference—all are in demand at this particular time of the year. Nearly every rental ad that has appeared in The News during the past few weeks has brought results before it has run the entire number of times it was ordered.

If You Want to Rent That Room, House or Apartment
in the Least Possible Time

Phone a Classified Ad to The News Today.

Call Mr. Lee—146

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THE MEXIA DAILY NEWS

Established in Mexia Since 1899.

Sale of Men's Shoes

WHAT DOES THIS SALE MEAN TO YOU?

If you glance at this ad and pass up the opportunity, it means nothing.

If you act it means much—for it's your opportunity to get the styles of shoes you like, carefully fitted, backed with our guarantee—at a whole lot below regular prices.

It's good business to clear our stocks of broken lines, even at a sacrifice of profits.

Shoes from Netleton, J. P. Smith and other well known makers.

Values to \$14.50, January Shoe Clearance Price.....	\$11.85
Values to \$10.00, January Shoe Clearance Price.....	\$6.85
Values to \$ 8.50, January Shoe Clearance Price.....	\$4.85

GENE SINCLAIR

GOOD SHOES AND HOSIERY



Jiggs, Maggie and Kitty in 'Bringing Up Father' on Broadway at the Opera House, Friday, Jan. 18th.

MORGAN IS HOME FROM MEETING OF WATER MEN

R. D. Morgan, City Engineer, returned Tuesday night from Topeka, Kansas where he had been attending an executive meeting of the Southwestern Waterworks Association of which he is secretary. He reports that the committee arranged the next meeting of the Association but set no date.

Mr. Morgan stated that he enjoyed an old time sleigh ride while in Topeka. The temperature, he said, was 5 degrees below zero and there were 8 or 10 inches of snow on the ground. He reported that something like 600 water meters in the city of Topeka froze and bursted in the city of Topeka alone.

Merchants Meet In Convention At San Antonio

From February 4th to 16 inclusive there will be a retail merchants' convention in San Antonio, Texas. All the retailers of south Texas are invited to attend.

The object of the meeting is to secure greater co-operation between retailer, wholesaler and manufacturer for the benefit of each and the up-building of the Southwest.

Fred P. Mann, a director of the United States Chamber of Commerce, and himself a nationally known retailer will be the principal speaker. There will be other speakers who are well acquainted with merchandising problems, and the retailers of South Texas will themselves exchange ideas.

An elaborate program of dinners, theatre parties and other entertainments has been arranged. Every effort will be made to make the meeting both profitable and pleasurable. Merchants are invited to bring their families.

There will be autos parked by one principal hotels to take visiting merchants wherever they wish to go at any time, whether their trip is to be one of business or pleasure.

All railroads have authorized an excursion rate of a fare and a half. Merchants are requested to make



their reservations by phoning, writing, or writing the Trade Extension Department of the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce.

Secret Is Safe

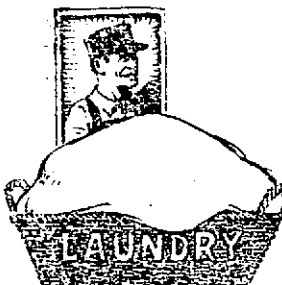
People who have been embarrassed repeatedly on account of disfigured skin on their face, neck, arms and hands, caused by eczema, tetter, rash, boils, pimples, etc., are nearly always sensitive about these things to the point of feeling that everybody is watching them and talking about how bad they look.

They even hesitate to ask anyone's advice about getting rid of these awful things, and for this reason the wonderful Black and White Ointment is making friends by the thousands because they can get it from their nearest dealer without a lot of explanations, and use it quickly gets rid of all those skin ruiners.

The 50c size contains three times as much as the 25c size. All dealers have it.—(Adv.)

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 18.—Sixteen "gentlemen of the open road" were taken into custody when police started a cleanup of "vags" last week. War on the floaters is kept up all throughout the Spring to discourage the "snow birds" from congregating in Houston.

J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home will be open to the public soon, watch for opening date. News Publishing Company.



We Launder with Care The Clothes You Wear

You want them to look just so. Men and women who seek care in Laundry work should investigate ours. You will notice a higher quality in all our work—particularly shirts—fine shirt waists and other garments that require skill and care. Let us call for your Laundry this week and we'll show you what high class Laundering and excellent service we offer.

NEW-WAY LAUNDRY

Hearing Given Man Accused Of Shooting

Harry Hines, accused of shooting at C. D. Glaze and J. P. Prentice, two men employed by the Magnolia Company on their Thompson B. Lease about two miles west of town, with intent to kill, was given an examining trial in Justice Osborne Kennedy's court Thursday afternoon. He was released under \$1,000 bond.

According to Constable Felz and the two men who claim to have been shot at, the latter were at work in a boiler room on the lease when a man entered about one o'clock at night wearing a handkerchief over his face and shot at one of them twice, missing each time but a very little. The men stated that they thought at the time that some of the boys associated with them were trying to pull a prank but on discovering bullet holes in the walls decided otherwise.

The men also stated that some time before a man had come to them confidentially and asked that they open some barrels of fuel oil belonging to the Magnolia and let the oil run down the creek so that he might catch it. The men said they refused and reported the matter to the company who employed the man. Some trouble developed over the situation and about two weeks ago the shooting occurred.

LONG HORN MUSICIANS MAY PLAY IN MEXIA

According to recent communications from Austin, regarding the trip of the Long Horn Band, that musical organization will likely tour many of the leading cities of the state. According to the manager, it may be that arrangements can be made to play in Mexia, while going from Houston to Corsicana and to Waco. The schedule has not yet been definitely announced, but assurance is given that if possible, the band will stop here for one day.

Miss Bess Kirven of Corsicana is the guest of Miss Francis Bass.

NOTICE

Patterson Jewelry Co. is now located next door to Karner & Phillips. Not connected with repair shop in Shulz building in any way.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible School at 9:45, for the young and the old.

Worship and preaching service at 11:00. The subject for the sermon at the morning hour: "The Church that Christ Built." Christian Endeavor at 6:15 p. m. Preaching services at 7:15 p. m. Subject: "The Master Builder's Workmanship." Some people tell us that the earth was once a part of the sun, and that man came into existence thru a process of evolution; but the Bible tells us that the earth was made before the sun was made, and that man is a product of God, created in his own image and likeness. As for me I accept the teaching of the Bible. Hear this message next Sunday evening.

ELKS BAND REORGANIZED

The Elks band has been reorganized and placed under the direction of Frank P. Werner. This reorganization took place several days ago. Several new members have been added to the band and Mr. Werner reports that the meetings of the band are exceptionally well attended.

Franklin drank only water.

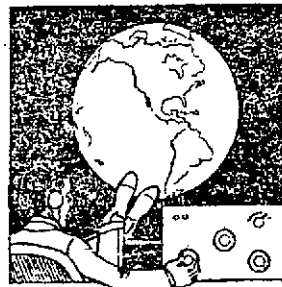
EASY TO DARKEN YOUR GRAY HAIR

When you draken your hair with Sage Tea and Sulphur no one can tell, because it's done so naturally so evenly. Preparing this mixture, though, at home is messy and troublesome. At little cost you can buy at any drug store the ready-to-use preparation, improved by the addition of other ingredients called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound." You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning all gray hair disappears, and, after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully darkened, glossy and luxuriant.

Gray, faded hair, though no disgrace, is a sign of old age, and as we all desire a youthful and attractive appearance, get busy at once with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound and look years younger.—(Adv.)

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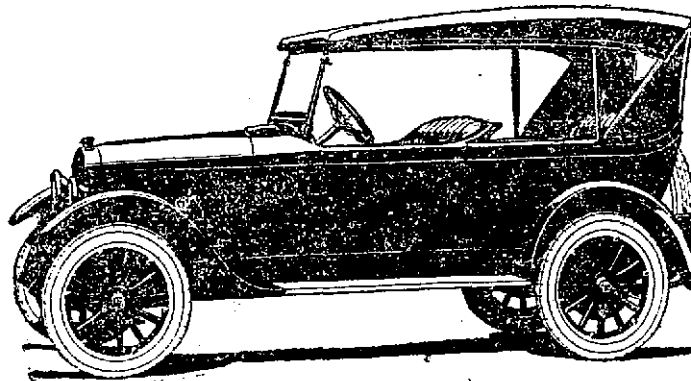
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What the Farmer Needs for '24

This is a much discussed subject. Our opinion is that the farmer needs more than anything to be delivered from superfluous free advice.

The next and only other thing he needs is a confidential, friendly relation with a good safe bank that knows his problems, is interested in him as a neighbor, friend and customer and is willing to be used by him when he needs accommodations.

Relying on the principles of square dealing and common sense, this bank tries to be that sort of silent partner to its farmer friends.



FARMERS STATE BANK

Removal Notice

We are going to move our interests at 101 and 113 E. Commerce St. to Shulz Bldg. next door to the City National Bank. This change will take place just as soon as the remodeling of the building is completed. We appreciate your past patronage and hope for a continuance of same.

A. M. Wesson

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In Pittman Building

OVER THE PHONE

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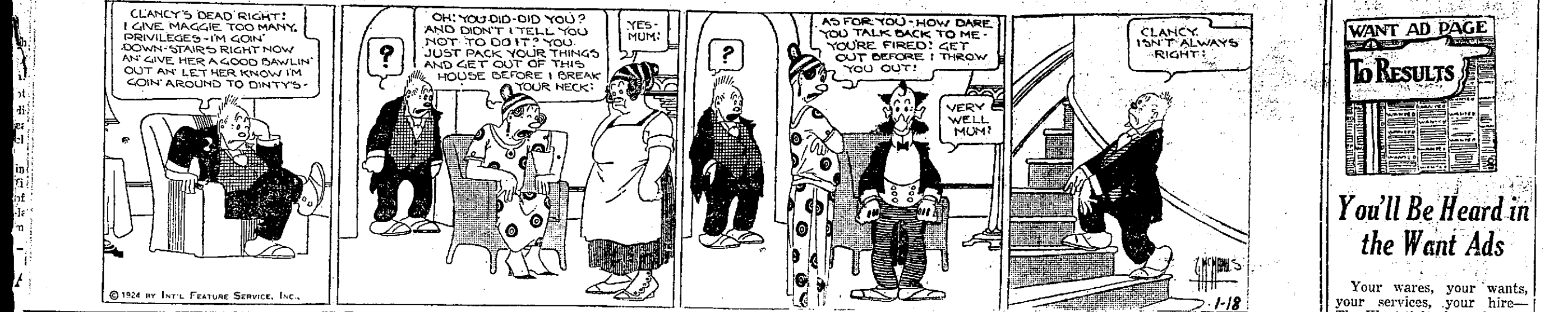
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CLASSIFIED RATES—One cent a word for each insertion. No single ad taken for less than 25 cents. Everybody reads these little ads, so if you want to buy or sell, or have lost or found any article, here is where you can get good results. No advertisement accepted over the telephone except from those who have a Regular Charge Account.

DO YOU KNOW that there are many changes daily in Mexia's rooming uses. These individuals watch this column constantly for available rooms. The column offers its service in helping rent your rooms. Give particulars to your ad. That's what the reader wants.

HELP WANTED—A
WANTED—Nursing by experienced nurse. Obstetrical cases a specialty. Terms reasonable. Phone 557-J. 2A20

FOR SALE—J
FOR SALE—Examine 2 1-2 lots corner of Rusk and Railroad streets, Mexia and submit best offer to owner. W. H. Butler, 1712 Pennsylvania Ave., Dallas, Texas. 13J7

THE STATE OF TEXAS:
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:
You are hereby commanded to summon C. A. Riley by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return to me hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court in and for Precinct No. 4, of Limestone County, Texas, to be held in the Court House thereof at Mexia on the second Tuesday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 828 wherein A. L. Griffin is plaintiff and C. A. Riley is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff, at the special instance and request of defendant, performed certain labor for him at the agreed price of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per month, and that said services were performed under said contract for a period of four months at the total agreed price of Forty Dollars (\$40.00) for which plaintiff sues defendant, and for Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) additional as attorney's fees incurred by plaintiff in the prosecution of this suit.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:
You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Limestone, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof: Notice of Application for Probate of Will
The State of Texas,
To all Persons interested in the Estate of Jonathan C. Yeldell, Deceased. Mrs. Alice Yeldell has filed in the County Court of Limestone County, an application for the Probate of the will of Jonathan C. Yeldell, Deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the first Monday in February A. D. 1924, at the Court House thereof, in the town of Groesbeck at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.
Herein Fail Not, but have you then and there before said Court this writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION
Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between O. Y. Manning and J. P. Dunaway, in Mexia, Limestone County, Texas, was by mutual consent dissolved as of date December 19th, 1923. By the terms of said dissolution, J. P. Dunaway became and now is sole owner and proprietor of the Kaufman Street Grocery, and all accounts due said Kaufman Street Grocery are payable to him.
O. Y. Manning likewise becomes sole owner and proprietor of the Model Grocery, and all accounts due same are payable to the said O. Y. Manning. By the terms of dissolution and settlement as mutually agreed upon, O. Y. Manning assumes and becomes liable for the payment of all debts due by both the Kaufman Street Grocery, and the Model Grocery as of date of December 19, 1923, since which time all debts contracted or obligations assumed by the Kaufman Street Grocery or the Model Grocery are payable by J. P. Dunaway and O. Y. Manning respectively.
Witness our hands, this the 12th day of January, 1924.
O. Y. Manning,
J. P. Dunaway. 13-10

INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL
WHO?—Single persons who had net income of \$1,000 or more or gross income of \$5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of \$1,000 or more or gross income of \$5,000 or more must file returns.
WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.
WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.
HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.
WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over \$6,000 for the year 1923.

GENERAL AGENT for a practical and useful household utility to work Limestone County, also canvassers. Will make money and friends for you. Write to Henry Woods, 1307 Caroline Street, Houston, Texas. 11A7

TRADES—C
WILL save you money on tires and get repair work. Phone 711. Ben Z. Jackson. Corner W. Carthage and Benton streets. 14C1

LOST AND FOUND—D
LOST—Part of gold fountain pen, engraved O. F. B. Lost either on streets of Mexia or between business street and 719 E. Sumpter. Find, please phone 628-W. Reward. 16D2

WANTED TO BUY—E
WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company. E. L. Smith Oil Company. Mexia Heart of Pool Roy Company. Powell Five Hundred. See McLendon. room 1 McLendon Bldg., Mexia, Texas. 18E30

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F
E SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston. new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10th. 45S.

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FOR RENT—Desirable two and three room apartments, conveniently located, all modern conveniences, lights, gas and water, furnished. Reasonable rates. Gates Apartments, 834 East Commerce St. Telephone 633. 8L26

HOUSES FOR RENT—R
FOR RENT—Six room house, lights, bath and water; near high school on South McKinney. Apply C. J. Sterling 503 South Canton. 13K4

NOTICE TO PATRONS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS
The second half of the school term begins January 28. First grade classes for beginners will be started at that time. All children six and one-half years of age or more on or before January 28 are eligible for admission. Those who were not seven years old before September 1, 1923, will pay tuition at the rate of \$2.50 per month.
Parents are urged to register these beginners within the next ten days with the principal of the proper grammar school.
C. A. PUCKETT, Supt. 16-4

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Local News

C. B. Johnson of Waco was in town Wednesday.

L. C. Lay, of Waco was in the city Wednesday.

H. W. McCutchen was here from Waco Tuesday.

P. T. Someskey was here Wednesday from Ennis.

H. H. Sedgler was here from Corsicana Wednesday.

J. T. Jarvis was here from Corsicana Wednesday.

H. C. Eubank of Waco was a visitor to Mexia Wednesday.

M. Morris was a visitor Thursday to Mexia from Corsicana.

J. M. Paul was a visitor to Mexia Wednesday from Ennis.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Collis were here

Wednesday from Waco.

J. W. McLarase was a visitor to Mexia Tuesday from Waco.

N. Morrison was a visitor to Mexia Wednesday from Corsicana.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nussbaum left Thursday for a visit to his brother at Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Scott were in the city Wednesday and Thursday from Topeka.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lysigner of Topeka, were in the city Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Tom Fortson and little daughter, of Rice are visiting her mother, Mrs. Dr. Conrad.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Wofford of Coolidge visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wofford of this place Thursday.

Ross Harlan Routh, Premier Boy Scout, of Dallas will address the troupe at the First Baptist Church, Friday night.

J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home will be open to the public soon, watch for opening date. News Publishing Company.

Miss Mary Carpenter from Healdton, Oklahoma, a niece of W. D. Pittman of this city is visiting in Mexia and prospecting with a view of locating here.

The ladies of Christian church will have a Saturday market opening at 9 a. m. in the building one door south of Wilson and Forrest Grocery Co. Cakes, pies, candy, chickens, eggs, chow chow, chili and other things will be on sale.

DIAMOND REVUE AT THE OPERA HOUSE

(Press Notice)

Thursday night marked the last night of "Forty-Five Minutes From Broadway." This show was acclaimed one of the most entertaining of the season. Mr. Virgil Siner, popular producer and leading man of the company was good in the role of "Kid Burns" and left nothing to be desired in his superb acting of the different

part that he had in the production. Miss Hazel Hurd as "Mary" was one of the distinctive hits of the evening. Who with her sweetness and unsophisticated charm and wonderful voice lent beauty and harmony to a wonderfully enacted role. Fred Twyman as Mr. Brady had a difficult part and holds his role to perfection. Miss Lillian Bentz as an adventuress actress who planned to entangle young Jack Clark with her will in order to secure a fortune she thinks has been left him, adds much charm and beauty to the program.

Mr. Walter Esmond, handsome juvenile man of the company portrayed the role of Jack Clark, friend and employer of Kid Burns, and did the part much to his credit. Miss Kate Mitchell and F. A. Dulin were also in the cast. The Diamond Revue Jazz Hound Syncopators were the hit of the show with their wonderful jazz and harmony playing.

Beginning Saturday the Diamond Revue will present "In the Hills of Old Virginia" with special music, scenery and wardrobe. This is a bill made for laughing purposes only and every one is a show of real treat.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Harry Rosenfeldt, former Government prohibition agent, alleged in a \$100,000 damage suit that fellow agents beat and robbed him when he threatened to expose their bootlegging activities.

The present annual production of coal from the Southwest Wales anthracite field is about 5,000,000 tons or twice that at the opening of the century.

Japan lost 2400 officers and enlisted men in the Siberian occupation.

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BEGINS SATURDAY

Scott's Level Best
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\$1.85

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